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## BONACIC-ROZIC LINK

Luka Bonacic (standing, left) of Footscray JUST and Sydney Croatia's player-coach Vedran Rozic (to the right of Bonacic), with the 1972 Hajduk Split youth team.



By  
**LAURIE SCHWAB**

What do Luka Bonacic, Zeljko Jurin, Ante Ljubic and Vedran Rozic have in common? They all were team mates — Bonacic and Rozic at Hajduk Split, and Bonacic, Jurin and Ljubic at Second Division club Sibenik.

Bonacic has extended his Australian visa until at least the end of the season and will be Footscray JUST's major weapon — along with Jadranko Kodjo — as the fight against relegation continues.

Jurin and Rozic are with Sydney Croatia, and Ljubic with Melbourne Croatia.

All are good players, but Bonacic and Rozic stand out as two of the greatest to have come to Australia since the brilliant Poles, Yugoslavs and Austrians of the early sixties.

They are among the few who compare favorably with such greats as Jankowski, Buljevic, Zientara, Schroif, Sklarek, Stankovic, Mladenovic, Jaros, Baumgartner and company.

Bonacic and Rozic have a strong link with Hajduk Split, which may tour in February, along with Flamengo of Brazil



• Bonacic (front row, left), with Yugoslav Second Division club Sibenik in the mid-seventies. Also pictured are Zeljko Jurin (centre row, sixth from left), now with Sydney Croatia, and Ante Ljubic (right of Jurin), now with Melbourne Croatia.

and perhaps the US national team (see page 3).

Miljus, Gudeli, Zlatko Vujovic, Zoran Vujovic, Slikskovic and Vulic, who all are with the present Hajduk team, were there when Bonacic and Rozic starred for Hajduk a few years ago.

Later Bonacic played for Malaga in Spain and VfL Bochum in West Germany, where his

team mates included West German international Franz-Josef Tenhagen.

Bonacic's class is evident in his commanding midfield play with JUST, his pin-point passing, precise challenges with which he invariably wins the ball, his powerful shooting, his leadership and his dangerous free kicks. Rozic's influence is self evident in Sydney Croatia's dominance of the Northern Division.

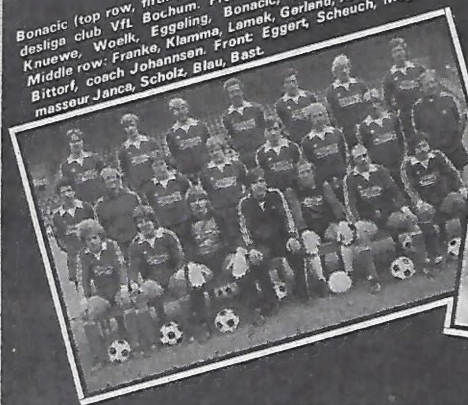
JUST's other import, Jadranko Kodjo, also has an impressive pedigree, having spent four years with Partizan Belgrade, as a junior and senior. He also was at Galenika, now known as FK Zemun, at the same time as Dragan Lacmanovic who played with JUST last season.

Kodjo was sent off last week-end against Brisbane City so JUST fans will have to wait for two weeks before seeing his fine close skills on display once more.

• Bonacic (front row, left), with the Hajduk Split team of 1981/82. From left, standing: Slikskovic, Primorac, Pesic, Vulic, Pudar, Rozic.



Bonacic (top row, fifth from left), with West German Bundesliga club VfL Bochum. From left, back row: Oswald, Knueve, Woelk, Eggeling, Bonacic, Tenhagen, Koepfer. Middle row: Franke, Klamme, Lemek, Gerland, Abel, Kaczor, Bittorf, coach Johansson. Front: Eggert, Scheuch, Mager, masseur Janca, Scholz, Blau, Bast.



• Adelaide City Juventus import Colin McAdam, ex-Glasgow Rangers

## Scotland and Spain are not invincible

**Patriotism demands that in a choice between Scotland and Australia, Colin McAdam, Adelaide Juventus's star recruit, has to choose Scotland.**

He believes either Scotland or Spain will win European Group Seven in the World Cup qualifying series, meaning the other would play off against the Oceania winner.

And the Oceania winner could be Australia — providing the Socceroos can get past powerful Israel, led by former Liverpool defender Avi Cohen.

"Scotland and Spain both are very bad travellers, so if Australia could get a good result here, and then shut up shop over there, they may just qualify," McAdam said in Adelaide this week.

But I'd have to go for Scotland, although Australia has really come on.

"Maybe 10 years ago some overseas team could come here and win quite easily, but now it's different."

Australia is beating the visiting teams instead.

"I saw them beating Juventus in Sydney 2-0 last year — and it could have been 6-0. They beat us (Rangers) as well, in what I thought was a great game."

McAdam broke his leg in a challenge on David Mitchell in that match. They were Rangers team-mates at the time, although Mitchell was given leave to play for the Socceroos.

Up front, Australia was very strong. John Kosmina was a powerful player, and Alan Davidson, the right back, was outstanding. But, most important, they played as a team and that's half the battle."

McAdam had heard that Eddie Krncevic had been included in the national squad. His experience in the European First Division would make Australia even stronger, McAdam said.

About the incident in which he broke his leg, he says:

"We'd all pushed up for a corner, and when Mitchell got the ball played to him, I went in for the ball, trying to stop him from getting away. I knew we wouldn't be able to catch him, because he's so quick. I tried to kick right through the ball, but instead, my shin clashed with David's, and I wasn't wearing shinpads."

"That incident really brought us closely together."

"I woke up in the Sydney hospital the next morning, and there was David waiting to see me. He also brought a lot of other people round, and I repaid the kindness when we got back to Scotland. When I decided I wanted to come and play in Australia, David was a big help, and got me fixed up with Adelaide City."

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• Colin McAdam chose the following when asked to name an all-star line-up made up of his best team-mates during 15 years in top-class Scottish soccer:

Sandy JARDINE (Rangers)	Tom FORSYTH (Rangers)	John McLELLAND (Rangers)	Brian WHITTAKER (Partick)
Bobby RUSSELL (Rangers)	Jim BETT (Rangers)	Robert PRYTZ (Rangers)	
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# International series, July 31-August 11

## Esterhazy, Mavros stars of AEK

By PAUL MOON

With seven league championships and nine cup wins to its credit, AEK Athens can justifiably claim to be one of Greece's top clubs.

AEK was founded in 1924 by a group of refugees from Constantinople. Those origins are commemorated in their name - Athlitiki Enosis Konstantinoupolis ("Athletic Union of Constantinople").

Since winning its first honor, the Greek Cup, in 1932, AEK steadfastly has accumulated domestic silverware.

In Europe, its best campaign of 14 came in 1977 when it reached the UEFA Cup semi-final before being beaten by Juventus.

After finishing a mediocre 7th in the 1983-84 Greek First Division, AEK has bounced back during the current season.

Stars of the current AEK team are:

**TOMAS MAVROS:** Made Greek League debut for Panionios at 16 and won first senior international cup when 17. Originally an aggressive left winger, but now central striker. He was runner-up in the European Golden Boot competition in 1979 and represented Greece at the European Championship finals a year later. Has been with AEK since 1976.

**MARTON ESTERHAZY:** Hungarian international who moved to AEK from Honved Budapest earlier this season. He also served Csillaghegy, Budapest, Ferencvaros, Vasas and Izzo in his native country.

**HAKAN SANDBERG:** A rugged, blond Swedish international striker who cost AEK \$270,000 when transferring from IFK Gothenburg, with which he won a UEFA Cup Winners' medal in 1982.

**YIANNIS DINTSIKOS:** A consistent goalscorer, who is now an integral part of the Greek international team.

**STILIOS MANOLAS:** A gifted young midfielder who was drafted into the Greek senior team from the youth selection last year.

**PAVLOS PAPAIOCANNOU:** Born in Brazil (of Greek parents), he is a current member of the Greece senior squad. Moved to AEK from Rhodes for \$180,000 in 1983.

**CHRISTOS ARDIZOGLOU:** Veteran attacking midfielder with over 40 Greek caps to his credit. Played in 1980 European Championship finals.

**FRANTISEK STAMBA-CHER:** 31-year-old

Czechoslovakian international midfielder who moved to AEK from Dukla Prague as the result of a \$300,000 transfer last year. Won 26th, and final, Czech cap against France in 1982 World Cup finals.



• The AEK Athens team that played at Olympic Park in 1979, from left, standing: Nioleou, Damianidis, Vlach, Thodis, Intriglou, Christidis, Front: Atidzoglou, Kaitzidis, Bajovic, Mousouris, Domazos.



• Red Star Belgrade, Yugoslav champion of 1983/84 from left: Drgan Miletic, Tomislav Ivkovic, Marko Elsner, Miroslav Sutar, Radosav Zugic, Ivan Jurisic, Milan Jovic, Zlatko Krmpotic, Miodrag Krivokapic. Front: Mitar Mrkela, Milan Jankovic, Slobodan Karalic, Milos Sestic, Jovica Nikolic, Dorde Milovanovic, Nedelko Milosavljevic.

## Zico, Vujovic, Fillol in February series

Zico of Brazil, Argentinian goalkeeper Ubaldo Fillol and Yugoslav striker Zlatko Vujovic are expected to take part in a two-week international series which will kick off the 1986 season next February.

Vujovic would come with Hajduk Split. However, the Yugoslav national team could replace Hajduk.

Zico, who was to have visited with Udinese before falling foul of the law in Italy recently, should be here with his new club, Flamengo of Brazil.

Fillol, who kept goal for the Argentine team that won the 1978 World Cup, also is with

Flamengo, as is Brazilian international Tita. Fillol was voted second in the 1984 South American Player of the Year poll, won by Enzo Francescoli of River Plate.

Other Flamengo players include Joze Mozer, Roberto Oliveira, Nunes, Adilio, Adalberto, Andrade, Elder, Bebetto and Jorginho.

Personnel, however, could change between now and February.

Mario Zagallo, who coached Brazil in the 1970 World Cup and Kuwait in the 1977 World Cup qualifying series against Australia, is coach of Flamengo.

And Brazil's former national coach, Evaristo Macedo, 51, is a former Flamengo forward. Macedo coached the Qatar team which finished second to West Germany in the 1981 World Youth Championships staged in Australia.

Hajduk Split, which finished second to Sarajevo in the Yugoslav championship, last toured Australia in 1949, with star players Vladimir Beara and Bernard Vukas. Hajduk beat Australia 2-2 in Sydney, 3-0 in Melbourne, 3-2 in Sydney and 6-0 in Adelaide and lost 1-2 in Newcastle and 0-1 in Sydney.

Zlatko Vujovic was one of Europe's most successful goalscorers in the season just

ended. His brother Zoran also is a star with Hajduk, while Gudelj is one of the club's internationals.

Others include: Pudar, Varvodic, Spanic, Miljus, Bakrac, Susnara, Petrovic, Celic, Siskovic, Asanovic and Vulic.

Yugoslavia would take Hajduk's place in the tournament if the Yugoslav national team qualifies for the World Cup finals. The Yugoslav then would use the tournament as part of their preparation.



• PSV Eindhoven's Erny Brandt (right) dispossesses Leopoldo Lugue in the 1978 World Cup final between Argentina and Holland.



A sight perhaps never to be repeated — soccer at the MCG. Matches in the international series in July-August will be played at Olympic Park instead.

## Cricket, 'footy' grounds out, soccer venues in

The MCG, the Sydney Cricket Ground and Football Park in Adelaide have been scrapped as venues for the international series from July 31 to August 11.

They will be replaced by Olympic Park in Melbourne, St George Stadium in Sydney and Hindmarsh Stadium in Adelaide.

Double-headers also have been scrapped,

except for the day of the final when there will also be a play-off for third place.

AEK Athens, Red Star and PSV Eindhoven will play in Melbourne as well as Sydney but Adelaide will only get one game, and it will involve AEK Athens.

Eindhoven may appear in Brisbane for one match to please Brisbane's sizable Dutch community.

## Eindhoven is first Dutch club to visit

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Australia's football-starved Dutch community will be treated to the first visit by a club from Holland when PSV Eindhoven competes in an international tournament against Red Star Belgrade, AEK Athens and the Soccereros from late this month.

Torino of Italy won't be coming after all. Eindhoven may have overhauled Ajax Amsterdam to win the Dutch championship, had it not been for sensational death threats involving five players.

Each of them received letters threatening their wives and children if they did not pay a \$50,000 ransom demand.

The players — Michel Vukic, Willy van de Kerkhof, Huub Stevens, Erny Brandts and Tom Lokhoff — understandably had more important things than soccer on their minds for some weeks. More than 100 police had to be engaged on bodyguard duties to protect the players and their families.

Eindhoven, sponsored by Philips Industries which will finance the team's Australian visit, has won the Dutch championship seven times and the Dutch cup four times.

Apart from the players already mentioned, Eindhoven boasts Brandts and Wilschut, who both played in the 1978 World Cup in Argentina. Brandts was in the team that lost the final to Argentina.

Goalkeeper is Hans van Beukelen who was here with Nottingham Forest last year, and Eindhoven also has four Scandinavians — Hallvar Thoresen (Norway), Glenn Heysen (Sweden), Kenneth Brylle (Denmark) and Jan Heintze (Denmark).

The most prominent Dutch clubs in Australian soccer are, of course, Brisbane Lions (previously Hollandia) and Ringwood-Wilhelmina. However, Lions have won only one honor in the NSL — the 1981 National Cup, while Wilhelmina's last triumph was in 1967 when it won the Victorian First Division championship.

AEK Athens undoubtedly will be the main drawcard in the series. It features Swedish international striker Hakan Sandberg, Hungarian ace Marton Esterhazy, goal machine Yiannis Dintzikos and the great Thomas Mavros who, however, had made plans to guest with the New York Cosmos before AEK was contracted to come to Australia.

It will be AEK's second visit to Australia, having lost 0-4 to Victoria at Olympic Park in 1979 — a game in which Gary Cole scored a hat-trick.

Esterhazy, rated one of the finest players in Europe at the moment, is a real-life Count. His family is part of the old-world Hungarian aristocracy.

Red Star, like AEK, was beaten here on a previous visit, going down 1-2 to Victoria in 1980.

Red Star toured twice previously — in 1977 when it beat Australia in three games, each time by a score of 3-1, and again later that year, when it lost to Celtic in the final of the "World of Soccer" tournament at Olympic Park. During the tournament it beat Australia 3-2.

Red Star's squad includes Milko Durovski, Bosko Durovski, Ljukovic, Dimitrijevic, Krazovic, Miletic, Elsner, Sutar, Nikolic, Stolic, Jankovic, Halliovic, Krivokapic, Milovanovic and Mrkela.

Red Star has won 15 Yugoslav championships — more than any other team, and 10 Yugoslav Cups.



Ubaldo Fillol



Zico



Mario Zagallo



Zlatko Vujovic



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## Americans to help us in World Cup

In addition to Brazil's Flamengo and Hajduk Split of Yugoslavia, Australians might see the U.S. national team here for a tournament next February.

Peter Sheean and ASFM, promoters of this year's two Australian tournaments are negotiating a deal with the Americans which might benefit the Australians substantially should the Socceroos qualify for Mexico.

While the Americans, already knocked out of the World Cup and small fry as a soccer power, might not prove an attractive proposition as tourists, part of the bargain would be allowing the Australians to set up camp at high altitude Colorado Springs in preparation for Mexico.

February is, admittedly, a long way away — and so is Australia's qualification for Mexico — but, given the tough atmospheric conditions that await most nations which qualify, places such as Colorado Springs will be in big demand by tourists wishing to prepare early for Mexico's rarified air.

Mexico's rarified air makes one ponder over the Mexico mission and just what important we place on qualification.

While it is healthy to feel positive and go forth with gusto after Australia's win in the May-June tournament, it would be silly to lose sight of reality and forget that to overcome a European nation, home and away, to get to Mexico remains very much a dream.

The stability and good performances of the national team have helped us accept our lot in the World Cup and how cruel and criminally unjust it was for Oceanians to be "drawn" with a European nation in the first place.

But tournament victory or not, it remains a rotten and almost impossible hurdle and the question of what we do if we fail to overcome it should be addressed now.

My gut reaction to the announcement of the draw over a year ago was that it is so tough we are better setting our sights on the 1990 World Cup and hope in the meantime that by then soccer's international politicians decide to treat the Oceanians as fairly as they do other nations.

In many ways I still hold that view.

Let's set a hypothesis: Australia, after some dour struggles with Israel and New Zealand, gets past the Oceania hurdle. Then we meet Scotland. We lose two nil at Hampden Park. At the Sydney Cricket Ground we get a fighting one all draw in the return.

Australia is out of the World Cup yet again, having failed like it did in 1966, 1970, 1978 and 1982.

But there will have been a big difference. In 1966, Australia was knocked out by North Korea, in 1970 by Israel, in 1978 by Iran and in 1982 by New Zealand.

Here we will have been put out by Scotland, a team of highly paid professionals, weaned on the highest soccer standard in the World, whose regular lot is league and European Cup matches for Celtic, Rangers, Aberdeen, Manchester United and Barcelona.

That, let me pre-empt it, is no failure.

But because we will be out of the World Cup instead of in, it will be a failure to most people. And moves will no doubt be made to sack the coach, to chop heads and to dismantle the team.

After all, our record is not good when it comes to reacting to failure with sanity.

After 1978, Joe Vlasits was replaced after his team failed by one goal at the end of an almost inhuman series of qualifying matches to get to Mexico.

In 1974, after Australia did qualify, Rale Rusic was sacked for reasons which still remain a mystery.

I have no argument over the sackings of Jim Shoulder in 1978 and of Rodi Gutendorf in 1981. In Shoulder's case, we were outdone not just by Iran but by Kuwait as well, while Gutendorf surely should have done better than to fall at home against New Zealand.

In 1970 and 1974 the sackings swept aside all work done by Vlasits and Rasic respectively and the new man taking charge, invariably with a different outlook on team building, had to start from scratch (although, significantly, between 1971 and 1974 Rasic wisely continued to use a large chunk of the players around whom Vlasits had built his team).

Such sackings, in a developing soccer country, are fatal and irresponsible.

Let me say now that, unless Australia is beaten to a pulp and is thoroughly disgraced in the coming qualifiers, to sack Frank Arok would be fatal and irresponsible.

More important than the curricular welfare of Frank Arok, such a sacking would unquestionably undo his work.

Whatever the criticisms of Arok, no one can deny that he has been meticulous, dogged and single-minded in his work with the national team since those matches against England in 1983. There is a new arrogance and confidence about the Socceroos, even if you disagree with the way they play.

There clearly is a lot more than just Frank Arok that will be sacked, if he is to go, after the World Cup campaign.

Indeed, I am a little worried by this single-minded obsession with the World Cup.

To demand immediate success with each and every World Cup is fine for Italy, Brazil, England, West Germany or Russia.

But not for Australia, a developing country whose road to international success is a lot tougher and longer by definition. We are in the business first and foremost of developing, not of winning or qualifying for anything.

Nevertheless, losing out on qualification will bring with it the predictable witch-hunt and the demand for sackings. And, ironically, Australia's newfound stability and recent success will cause much of it.

One of the dangers now is high expectations. That because Vasco, Udinese and Tottenham were beaten, there is no excuse for losing to New Zealand, Israel or even Scotland.

It happened to Hungary's national team a few weeks ago.

The Hungarians had gone through the first five of their six qualifying matches impeccably, winning every one of them home and away. They beat their neighbouring rivals Austria, riddled with highly paid West European pros, 3-0 in Vienna.

Those who saw that match on World Soccer on SBS might not argue with the Hungarian view that it was the best thing that happened to Hungarian football since Puskas and Bozsik.

So over 80,000 turned up for their last, meaningless, match against Holland at Budapest's Nepszínház, for a good look at this new golden team.

Hungary lost 1-0, the 80,000 fans turned into an ugly mob and the Hungarian players were farewelled in their last match of a victorious qualification run in a chorus of boos, whistles, insults and volleys of spit.

Hungary had won five of six qualifying games. It beat Austria and Holland away and became one of the first teams to qualify for Mexico.

But to the 80,000 at the Nepszínház, Hungary had failed.

## NEWCASTLE A \$100,000 FLOP

By PAUL MOON

The recent New Zealand v. Newcastle United series lost approximately \$100,000 and has plunged the Kiwis' World Cup build up into a further financial crisis.

Another \$150,000 is now required if cut-backs to the planned preparation programme are to be avoided.

It is hoped that much of this will be raised through a raffle, to be organised by Harry Dods — father of former Adelaide City Juventus player Glen Dods.

Additional fund-raising possibilities are being investigated by Assistant Director of Coaching Doug Moore, who has been appointed World Cup Co-ordinator.

Moore is currently serving a suspension from international coaching involvement as a result of his altercation with Papua New Guinea referee Ian Moule during the Oceania Youth Cup at Sydney earlier this year.



Suleiman Curovic (front), against Frank Pimblott of Brisbane City. In the background is Vlatko Belic.

## Curovic latest in drain of young talent

Suleiman Curovic 22, who was granted a free clearance to Melbourne Croatia last week, has criticised the club for discarding so much local talent over the years.

Curovic had taken out a Supreme Court writ against Footscray J.U.S.T., seeking a free transfer on the grounds that he had been playing without a contract since November, 1984.

The case was kept out of court when J.U.S.T. agreed to release him.

He had been with J.U.S.T. since he was in the under 16s.

"I am in soccer for the pleasure of playing but unfortunately there was not much pleasure recently."

"One of the biggest mistakes the club made was to sack coach Cedo Cirkovic. He was building a young team and should have been allowed to stay on until Luka Bonacic and Jadranko Kodjo arrived from Yugoslavia to add their experience and to help the young players."

"J.U.S.T. could be one of the greatest teams in Australia had the club not made so many mistakes and had it not lost so many good young players — Stojcevski who left recently, Palinkas, Ristovski, Iliovski, Cozzella, Crino, Nicolaides, Pricious and now Emil Petrov who was one of our best players in the night competition but who has left to join Springvale United. Milan Stojilovic would have been a very good player for us, given a bit of time, but he too was allowed to go."

Curovic's transfer fee was set at \$20,000 according to the contract that expired in late 1984. It was not renewed however, resulting in Curovic getting his free release.

Despite his disappointment with the club, he does not rule out rejoining J.U.S.T. some time in the future. He had good years there, although he never enjoyed being a marker. "It would be better if coaches concentrated less on marking and more on playing soccer and making goals," he said. "Players then would be more popular and people would come to see the games."

# TRENDSETTER CROATIA

Is one League the answer?

By LAURIE SCHWAB

NSL clubs in Melbourne are expressing doubts about the league format due to falling attendances this year.

South Melbourne Hellas is the main advocate of return to an elite league of perhaps 14 clubs from mainly Sydney and Melbourne.

Preston Makedonia also favors the concept of an elite league. Some George Cross and Footscray JUST officials, meanwhile, favor State-based super leagues leading up to national play-offs.

George Cross and JUST however, are the only clubs whose attendances are up since last year.

In Sydney, Croatia's support has increased dramatically. APJA's is up due to the team's return to Lambert Park. Blacktown's figures show an increase due to the guest appearances of Kevin Koegan, and Sydney Hakoah's are up marginally because it has had good attendances at home games against Croatia and Olympic.

All the others are down.

The accent on glamor has paid off for Sydney Croatia. Rozic, Ozdakov, Dragicevic, Patikas, and Jurin plus the emergence of Arnold as a top-class striker, have fired the imagination of the Croatian community.

Melbourne Croatia is trying to follow suit. It has signed Ante Ljubic, expects Jojo Bogdanovic from Split, and also a big-name player from Dinamo Zagreb.

Luka Bonacic an Jadranko Kodjo have boosted JUST's attendances and so many other clubs are expected to seek top-

Total and average home attendances of the Melbourne NSL clubs up to and including round 16			
	Total	average	movement
1. South Melbourne Hellas	29,320	3665	down
2. Heidelberg-Alexander	23,382	2924	down
3. Sunshine-George Cross	21,796	2421	up
4. Footscray J.U.S.T.	16,776	2087	up
5. Melbourne Croatia	15,840	1955	down
6. Preston Makedonia	14,425	1803	down
7. Brunswick-Juventus	14,004	1800	down
8. Green Gully	9,822	1403	down

class players from Europe next season.

The styles of play also should be put under the microscope. South Melbourne Hellas is the national champion but predictability on the field and lack of promotional activity by the club have resulted in declining support.

Heidelberg has been affected by instability off the field and Makedonia by its failure to live up to early expectations.

Juventus, though, is the biggest disappointment. Although on top of the Southern Division ladder before last weekend's round, its support is lower than everyone's except Green Gully's.

Fiddling further with the league format would be hazardous. The league rejected the original one-league, 14-club format because of high travelling costs and declining attendances.

It was unhappy with clubs having to play away from their home cities every second week, thus alienating their supporters.

The new clubs — the Croatians, Juventus, George Cross, Melita Eagles, etc — were to have added significantly to the gates of all clubs.

Now all those arguments are forgotten and a 14-team league again is being seen as the ideal answer.

But if it did bring back the crowds, how long would it last? Chances are we'd be scratching for new solutions at the end of 1986 or 1987.

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# Spanos switches, Bonacic OK

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Makedonia and St George Budapest could climb into the top five at the weekend. John Spanos may make his debut for Blacktown and although Jadrano Kodjo is suspended, Luka Bonacic is expected to recover from illness to lead Footscray JUST against Brisbane Lions at Schindler Reserve on Sunday.

Bonacic had a breathing problem after JUST's controversial 2-3 loss to Brisbane City and stayed behind in Queensland for injections to clear up a throat infection.

Branko Buljevic is expected to replace suspended Kodjo, although Bill Lazopoulos must be getting close to resuming in the team, following a knee operation.

Kodjo was sent off against Brisbane City after referee Gordon Nicholson had turned down an appeal for a penalty over alleged handball by Billy Wilkinson.

Nicholson said after the match as several players crowded around to argue, Kodjo pushed him in the chest.

"If there hadn't been a player standing behind me I would have been flat on my back," Nicholson said.

As Kodjo began his walk, coach Rocco Ilic raced onto the pitch and officials removed him.

Ilic said later he went on because Kodjo might have needed translating help because he had only just arrived from Yugoslavia and could not speak English.

The relegation battle remains one of the most intriguing aspects of the NSL competition. If JUST beats Lions on Sunday — as it should — and Green Gully loses to rampaging Melbourne Croatia, the difference between them will again be only one point.

Spanos, formerly of Heidelberg-Alexander and Sydney Hakoah, bought out his contract with Marconi in order to join Blacktown and may line up at Gable Stadium against St George.

Spanos, still only 24, couldn't have arrived at a better time according to Blacktown coach Casey de Bruin.

He said: "We badly needed some extra depth, especially as defender Tony Rasmussen has had his third operation this year on his knee ligaments."

"Alex Bertalio is also a big disappointment. It isn't his fault, but I did expect a great deal from him when we picked him up from Sydney Hakoah."

"His knee is a continuing problem and we have hardly had him out on the park."

But even Spanos won't prevent Frank Arok's Saints from achieving their aim of playing in the finals. Tonight (Wednesday) they look good for a victory against APIA at Lambert Park, and a follow-up victory against Blacktown would give them a total of 18 points — one more than the two teams above them, Canberra and Blacktown.

Canberra, incidentally, seems to have little hope against Sydney Croatia which may have only drawn with Inter Monaro, but hit the woodwork twice in the process.

APIA has won only one of its past eight matches and no doubt former Stanrae and Kilmarnock striker did not know what he had let himself in for.

He said after the 0-1 loss to Marconi: "I was up there by myself. On top of that we lost three easy goals away."

McBride might have done much better had there been some semblance of ball service. He is a keen player although not in the class of Dave Provan, the Scot who helped Sydney Olympic out of the mire.

Marconi has won five and drawn one of its past six games and should win against Wollongong, despite a hamstring injury to Mark Jankovics.

Marconi coach Les Scheinflug was particularly pleased at the weekend with Lee Sterrey, signed early this year from Sydney Croatia.

"He held Kosmina on Saturday and on Sunday he didn't give the APIA strikers a kick," Scheinflug said.

There is a strange twist to Newcastle's relegation troubles. Its Northern First Division outfit Adamstown is running equal top in its competition.

## Team of the Week

In brackets: number of appearances in team of the week

OLIVER (1) (H'berg Alexander)	YANKOS (3) (H'berg Alex)	HENDERSON (1) (Marconi)	CROSS (1) (Penrith)
NYSKOHUS (4) (AC Juventus)	AMBRUSINO (1) (Inter-Monaro)	BONACIC (2) (Foots JUST)	ILIOSKI (2) (Makedonia)
BRADLEY (2) (Blacktown)	BISICKI (1) (Melb. Croatia)	CAMPBELL (2) (Green Gully)	

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Leaders:

- |                     |                                    |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| 42. Bundalo (W)     | 23. Farina (SCH)                   |
| 39. Hunter (BL)     | 22. Franken (Can)                  |
| 36. Dickson (W)     | 21. Tralenedes (Mak)               |
| 34. Maxwell (ACJ)   | 20. Owens (NR)                     |
| 32. Slater (St G)   | 19. Runjo (M. Gr)                  |
| 30. Gojevic (M. Cr) | 18. Colaguri (APIA), Koczka (St G) |
| 24. Tapai (JUST)    |                                    |

• Alex Bundalo

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Leaders:

- |                               |                                |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 33. Hoero (B)                 | 21. Tralenedes (Mak)           |
| 26. Kestner (SGC), Gibson (P) | 19. Runjo (M. Cr)              |
| 24. Goodey (St G)             | 18. Hocking (IM), Oliver (H'b) |
| 23. Wishart (BC)              | 17. Evans (BL), Donys (GG)     |
| 22. Franken (Can)             | 14. Gosling (NR)               |



• Barry Hoero

• This week's NSL matches, with likely winners in capitals:

TONIGHT (WEDNESDAY)

APIA-Leichhardt v ST GEORGE BUDAPEST at St George Stadium, 8pm.

SUNDAY

Adelaide City Juventus v Brunswick Juventus (draw) at Olympic Sports Fields, 2.30 pm.

Sunshine-George Cross v South Melbourne Hellas (draw) at Chaplin Reserve, 3pm.

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. v Brisbane Lions at Schindler Reserve, 3pm.

Heidelberg-Alexander v Preston Makedonia (draw) at Olympic Village, 3pm.

MELBOURNE CROATIA v Green Gully at Olympic Park, 3pm.

BRISBANE CITY v West Adelaide Hellas at Spencer Park, 3pm.

Blacktown v ST GEORGE BUDAPEST at Gable Stadium, 3pm.

APIA-LEICHHARDT v Newcastle-Rosebud at Lambert Park, 3pm.

SYDNEY CROATIA v Canberra Olympians at Crobaton Sports Centre, 3pm.

Wollongong v MARCONI at Wollongong Showgrounds, 3pm.

Sydney Olympic v Sydney City Hakoah (draw) at Pratten Park, 3pm.

INTER MONARO v Penrith at Seiffert Oval, 3pm.

If Newcastle is dropped it might just find the other unit of its own club taking its place.

Southern Division leader Brunswick Juventus goes to Adelaide to meet sister club Adelaide Juventus without Fabio Incantapulo who was sent off last Sunday. Andrew Zinni, scorer of the winning goal against Lions after coming on as a substitute, will replace Incantapulo. Zinni scored a hat-trick last time the two Juventus met.

Adelaide Juventus will be strengthened by the return of Brian Northcote and Colin McKenna after injury.

Makedonia can climb into the top five if it takes at least one point from Heidelberg, and if George Cross loses to Hellas at Chaplin Reserve.

Makedonia coach Bill Murray faces selection problems in trying to come up with the most effective line-up. Should Ced Opatins partner Zoran Ilioski and George Petrov in midfield? If so, should Sean Lane also play deep, or should Lane play up front? With Graham Heys taking Opatins's full-back position, should the axe fall on Steve Smith, Gary Cole, Warren Smith or Lane — all excellent players?

Let Murray work it out.

George Cross regains Roger Bain after suspension, but lost 1-2 to Hellas last time they met. George Cross has lost only one of its last seven, but with Doug Brown and Charlie Egan running riot for Hellas, George Cross's hopes of avoiding defeat this time rest squarely on the shoulders of stoppers Tyrone James and Steve Richardson.

Suleiman Curovic is standing by to have his first run for Melbourne Croatia, following his transfer from JUST, when Croatia takes on Green Gully, which is strengthened by former Croatia star Tommy Cumming.

Cumming will be determined to do his best, but with Croatia's brilliant ball players Blisick, Gojevic, Campbell, Ilic, etc., running well off the ball, Croatia looks in no trouble. Drago Desankovic is expected to return to the Croatia side after suspension.

Similarly, striker George Konstantopoulos should return for West Adelaide Hellas against Brisbane City in Brisbane, while Sydney Olympic needs to wait for only one more week for Peter Katholos to resume.

NSL Southern Division

W D L F A Pt

SYDNEY CROATIA.....10 5 2 40 18 25

MELBOURNE CROATIA.....10 5 2 40 18 25

H'BERG-ALEXANDER.....10 5 2 40 18 25

SUN. GEORGE CROSS.....10 5 2 40 18 25

Preston-Makedonia.....10 5 2 40 18 25

Adel. City Juventus.....10 5 2 40 18 25

Brisbane Lions.....10 5 2 40 18 25

Brisbane City.....10 5 2 40 18 25

West Adel. Hellas.....10 5 2 40 18 25

Green Gully.....10 5 2 40 18 25

Footscray JUST.....10 5 2 40 18 25

NSL NORTHERN DIVISION

W D L F A Pt

SYDNEY CROATIA.....10 5 2 40 18 25

MELBOURNE CROATIA.....10 5 2 40 18 25

H'BERG-ALEXANDER.....10 5 2 40 18 25

SUN. GEORGE CROSS.....10 5 2 40 18 25

Preston-Makedonia.....10 5 2 40 18 25

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## Youth leagues

VICTORIAN YOUTH LEAGUE:  
Frankston 0, Mabo Croatia 2  
Croydon City 3, Footscray JUST 3  
Green Gully 2, Heidelberg Alexander 3  
Preston-Makedonia 2, Sunshine  
George Cross 1, 5th Melb Hellas 0  
Fawkner 0, B.U. Juventus 9  
Nunawading City 0.

W D L F A Pt	
Hellad Alexander	12 3 47 21 6
5th Melb Hellas	11 3 38 17 25
B.U. Juventus	9 8 28 20 24
Mabo Croatia	10 4 39 13 24
Makedonia	10 3 40 20 24
Footscray JUST	8 2 32 31 18
Green Gully	8 1 38 24 17
Sun. George Cross	3 3 25 15
Nunawading City	4 4 16 47 12
Fawkner	3 3 11 21 59 8
Croydon City	2 1 14 11 5
Frankston	2 1 14 16 5

This Sunday's games: Fawkner v Brunswick Juventus; Sun. George Cross v Hellas; Foots J.U.S.T. v Nunawading; Heidelberg Alexander v Makedonia; Melb. Croatia v Green Gully; Croydon v Frankston Pines.

## NATIONAL

### YOUTH LEAGUE

Sydney City 2 d Marconi 0	
Blacktown 4 d Newcastle 2	
St George 4 d AIS 2	
Penrith 1, Leichhardt 2 d Marconi 1	
Olympic 2 d Wollongong 0	
Inter Monaro 1 d Croatia 0	
Canberra 1 d St George 0	

Top vote-getters:

61. Honeyman (WAH).

53. Egan (SMH).

51. Gomez (SCH).

48. Yankos (H'b).

47. Nyskohus (ACJ).

43. Rozic (S.Cr).

Top scorers:

13. Egan (SMH).

12. Yankos (S.Cr).

Patikas (S.Cr).

10. Stevenson (H'b).

Jankovics (M).

## NSL NORTHERN DIVISION

W D L F A Pt	
SYDNEY CROATIA.....	10 5 2 40 18 25
MARCONI.....	10 5 2 40 18 25
SYD. CITY HAKOAH.....	10 4 2 32 17 24
SYDNEY OLYMPIC.....	10 1 8 22 20 21
BLACKTOWN.....	7 3 7 27 20 17
Canberra Olympians.....	6 5 6 26 27 17
St. Geo. Budapest.....	4 6 8 19 21 14
Inter-Monaro.....	5 4 8 23 33 14
Penrith.....	3 6 8 19 23 12
APIA-Leichhardt.....	5 1 9 17 25 11
Newcastle-Rosebud.....	3 4 10 17 36 10
Wollongong.....	3 4 10 18 39 10

## NSL SOUTHERN DIVISION

W D L F A Pt	
BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS.....	10 5 2 28 15 25
STH MELBOURNE HELLAS.....	10 4 3 29 19 24
MELBOURNE CROATIA.....	9 4 4 23 11 22
H'BERG-ALEXANDER.....	8 5 4 28 15 21
SUN. GEORGE CROSS.....	8 6 5 18 15 18
Preston-Makedonia.....	8 8 2 25 14 18
Adel. City Juventus.....	5 4 8 26 29 14
Brisbane Lions.....	5 4 7 15 21 14
Brisbane City.....	6 2 8 23 31 14
West Adel. Hellas.....	5 3 9 20 29 13
Green Gully.....	3 5 9 16 24 11
Footscray JUST.....	3 2 12 17 33 8

Price (WAH), R. Brown (M).

8. Latif (SGC), Smith (Mak), Sweeney (BJ).

7. O'Connor (B), D. Brown (SMH), Ward (M.Cr), Kosmina (SCH).

6. Spink (Mak), Dragicevic (S.Cr), Zinni (BJ), Lewis (GG), Reis (BC), Gray (M), Gomez (SCH).

5. McKie (B), Cole (Mak), Provan (SO), Giampaolo (IM), Maxwell (ACJ), Petersen (BJ), Tasios (H'b), Lamond (Can), Morgan (St.G), Colaguri (A), PIA, Lowe (M), Lee (SCH).

42. Bundalo (W).

39. Hunter (BL), Stevenson (H'b).

37. Mason (M).

36. Dickson (W), Crino (SMH), R. Brown (M).

35. Wheatley (B), E. Campbell (BJ).

34. Maxwell (ACJ), Biskic (M.Cr).

33. Hoare (B), Patikas (S.Cr), Ozdakov (ACJ).

32. Slater (St.G).

31. Faulkner (SGC).

30. Gojevic (M.Cr).

Bertogna (APIA).

Top scorers:

13. Egan (SMH).

12. Yankos (S.Cr).

Patikas (S.Cr).

10. Stevenson (H'b).

Jankovics (M).

GREEN GULLY 1 (Campbell 59th) HEIDELBERG 1 (Tolokis 20th) at Green Gully Reserve. Attendance: 1200 (estimate). Ratings by Peter Desira.

GREEN GULLY: Denys 8 — Young 7, McLellan 6, Cannell 6, Hogben 8 — Cumming 8 (Smart 82nd), Smallman 6, Williams 6, Campbell 9 — Lucchesi 7, Lewis 6, Coach: Steve Short.

HEIDELBERG: Over 9 — Mackie 8, Angell 7, Yankos 9, Marley 6 — Metaxas 7, Christopoulos 5 (Winn 48th 5), Tasios 6, Tolokis 7 (Gabrielson 81st) — Stevenson 7, Selemidis 6, Coach: Brian Garvey.

Best players for Borals Bricks play of the year award: 6. Over (H), 5. Yankos (H), 4. Campbell (GG), 3. Cumming (GG), 2. Hogben (GG), 1. Metaxas (H).

WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 0 MELBOURNE CROATIA 3 (Ljubic 46th, Ward 57th, House 79th) at Hindmarsh Stadium. Crowd: about 3000. Ratings by Allan Crisp.

WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS: Cook 6 — Hien 8, Honeyman 9, Brown 8, Mousoulis 6 — Asael 7, Miano 5, Genkas 6 (Stratamitopoulos 54th), Panagis 7 — Price 7, Stefanopoulos 7, Coach: Neil McGachey.

MELBOURNE CROATIA: Runjo 8 — Curcio 7, McIntosh 8, Hannah 8, Antolovic 7 — Campbell 7, Cristalo 7, Blaskic 9, Gojevic 6 — Ward 8, Ljubic 8 (House 74th). Coach: Don Kapetanovic.

Best six for Borals Bricks-best player award: 6. Blisick (C), 5. Gojevic (C), 4. Hien (WAH), 3. Honeyman (WAH), 2. Ljubic (C), 1. Ward (C).

BRISBANE CITY 3 (Reis 21st, Carey 41st, Pimblett pen. 72nd) FOOTSCRAY JUST 2 (Belic 22nd, Ljubic 55th) at Spencer Park. Crowd: 776. Ratings by Ricky Wharton.

BRISBANE CITY: Wishart 7 — Marogotti 6, Wilkinson 5, Milovanovic 6, Bromfield 7 — Pimblett 7, Hamilton 8, Junna 6 — Carey 6 (Archer 84th), Reis 7 (Scroggins 68th), Fabrizio 7, Coach: Jim Hamilton.

FOOTSCRAY JUST: Boland 5 — Karic 6, Macleod 8, Kyriakoulas 7, Barjaktarevic 6 — Tapai 6, Belic 7, Bonacic 8, Kodjo 7 — Paten 6 (Buljevic 77th), Ljubic 7, Coach: Rocco Ilic.

Best six for Borals Bricks-best player award: 6. Bonacic (FJ), 5. Hamilton (BC), 4. Macleod (FJ), 3. Pimblett (BC), 2. Kyriakoulas (FJ), 1. Wishart (BC).

ST GEORGE 1 (Ratcliffe 42 min) CANBERRA 1 (Dunn 27 min) at St George Stadium. Ratings by Andrew Detra.

ST GEORGE: Greedy 6 — Skeen 4, Ratcliffe 7, M. O'Shea 5, Koczka 6 — J. O'Shea 5, Stone 5 (Later 62 min) Rocy 6 — Petrovski 6.

Morgan 4, Cotton 6, Coach: Frank Arok.

CANBERRA: Franken 6 — Mihalidis 6, Harkins 6, Bourke 6, Bryant 6 — Semmanni 7, Byrne 6, Dunn 6, Gibson 5 — Lamond 6, English 6, Coach: Roy Thompson.

Best six for Borals Bricks-best player award: 6. Semmanni (C), 5. Ratcliffe (St.G), 4. Bryant (C), 3. Koczka (St.G), 2. Petrovski (St.G), 1. Dunn (C).

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (Polias 87th) WOLLONGONG 0 at Pratten Park. Crowd: 3489. Ratings by Michael Mikolajczyk.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier 6 — Rogers 5, Lampropoulos 5 (Ziras 70th), 5. Stankovic 6, Jennings 5 — Johnstone 4, Raskopoulos 6, Svinos 5 (Polias 65th 5) — Soper 6, Petalis 6, Kalantzis 7, Coach: Manfred Schaefer.

WOLLONGONG: Velkov 6 — Green 6, Vilestra 6, Willis 7, Gaffney 6 — Marton 7, Bundalo



# KODJO OFF AS J.U.S.T. LOSES ON PENALTY



Footscray J.U.S.T. coach Rocco Ilie: "How can this happen to us?"

## Bris City 3 Footscray 2

Scorers: Reis 21st, Belic 22nd, Carey 41st, Lujic 55th, Pimblett (pen) 72nd.  
Cautions: Milevanovic (BC), Macleod (JUST), Carey (BC).  
Send off: Kodjo (JUST) 86th.  
Venue: Spencer Park.  
Crowd: 776.  
Referee: Gordon Nicholson 5.

Just when Footscray looked as if it might miraculously escape relegation — along came one of its Brisbane games.

It may just as well have been the kiss of death.

Footscray lost to Brisbane City 3-2. A draw would have been fair, a win not out of the question.

On the day City was not the better side, in fact, at times in the second half they looked marginally poorer. The difference between the teams was the referee.

## AROUND THE WORLD

● Goals by Manuel Negrete (3rd minute) and Luis Flores (46th) gave Mexico its first ever win over West Germany at the Four Nations Tournament in Mexico City, also involving England and Italy.

● Former South Melbourne halves midfielder Grant Turner has retired from international football — for the third time this year.

● Former England captain Gerry Francis has been released by Portsmouth after making only three appearances for the Second Division club.

Frank McGarvey, the Scottish international who recently rejected a new contract with Glasgow Celtic, has rejoined a cut-price fee of around \$A152,816. The 29-year-old striker left St Mirren for Liverpool in the late 70s for \$A764,080 and moved to Celtic shortly afterwards for \$A825,305.

# STEVE O'CONNOR SENT OFF

## Penrith 1 SC-Hakoah 2

Scorers: Jones 13th (P); Lee 2nd, Gomez 75th (SCH).  
Venue: Cook Park.  
Crowd: 805.  
Cautions: O'Connor, Gomez, Watson, Lee (SCH).  
Send off: O'Connor (SCH), 87th.  
Referee: Roger Doenau 7.

A jaded Hakoah struggled to defeat Penrith 2-1 at Cook Park.

Hakoah, playing its second match of the weekend, lacked its usual sparkle but managed to stave off the determined Penrith outfit.

The game was only two

## Man of the match: RICKY ROSO

Mr Gordon Nicholson — a man few of the Footscray Players will forget or want to see again.

Although Nicholson always acts as he sees it and refuses to be swayed, controversy seems to follow him and this match was no exception.

City's winning goal was a penalty. Striker Luciano Fabrizio undoubtedly took a dive, and not a good one at that, when Denis Boland chased a cross he had earlier missed.

But Nicholson firmly believed the Brisbane player had been pushed and, as he explained later, the rules say a deliberate push in the box is a penalty.

Yet, the rules also say a deliberate handball in the box is a penalty, and the poor Footscray players could hardly believe their eyes when Nicholson waved play on after Billy Wilkinson had handled later in the game.

The Footscray players protested strongly and a little too physically. Subsequently Jadranko Kodjo tasted discipline the Australian way and was ordered from the field.

JUST also believed it had been badly done by when Nicholson stopped play in the 84th minute.

City striker Peter Carey was motionless on the halfway line after a clash of heads and Harrison, seeing play was continuing at the other end, ordered his trainer onto the park to attend the seemingly seriously injured player.

Nicholson then noticed the on-field presence of Tom Creevey and stopped play. The ball was in the Brisbane City goalmouth.

Nicholson said Wishart was in possession when he blew the whistle. Footscray say he stopped its attacking move.

There were also a few dubious offside — one brought a can from the crowd, which hit linesman Ken Adriaansen.

Penrith came back strongly with Jan Wotherspoon and Rene Licata pressing the Hakoah defence.

Penrith was back on level terms after 12 minutes when Peter Jones lashed out Wotherspoon's cross to wrong-foot

## Man of the match: LUKA BONACIC (Footscray Just)

And later in the game, after copying a barrage of abuse from the bench, Adriaansen instructed Nicholson and Footscray coach Rocco Ilie was ordered out of the dugout, along with Kodjo.

Needless to say reports and counter-reports were to be lodged this week.

"I don't even know why we come here (to Brisbane) to play soccer because even before we start the match we have lost," Ilie said.

The Footscray players were even more upset than their coach and the comments at best were slanderous.

There was further concern in the Footscray dressing room over the fitness of the man of the match — Luka Bonacic, who had dazzled with some nice touches and clever through-balls, on his return from suspension.

Bonacic, who had complained of difficulty in breathing, was diagnosed to have a swollen or infected uvula and taken to hospital.

Brisbane City found the net in the 21st minute after a Bromfield freekick took a deflection and landed perfectly for Alan Reis to scoop past Boland.

But big Vlatko Belic was allowed a free header from the penalty spot less than a minute later and put his attempt onto the upright before scrambling in the rebound.

Just before the break, Peter Carey put away a scrappy city goal off a Pimblett corner which City was allowed to play with in the box rather than Footscray clearing.

But the visitors negated that when Zdravko Lujic outplayed and outplayed young City full-back Frank Mengotti to race down the left onto a Jamie Paton ball and slot it under the advancing Kim Wishart.

But any hopes Footscray had of getting away from Brisbane with a point vanished 17 minutes later when Nicholson pointed to the spot for City. Frank Pimblett hit his shot hard to the left.

the goalkeeper and score a neat goal.

Hakoah was soaking up a lot of pressure but its solid backline of Alex Robertson and Steve O'Connor held firm.

Midway through the second half tempers flared after a Hakoah penalty appeal was turned down.

Against the run of play replacement player Paul Kay ran the ball to the byline and crossed for Gerry Gomez to head home the winning goal.

The frustrations of the Hakoah players was evident when Steve O'Connor was sent from the field for dissent with seven minutes of the match remaining.



Alex Vesic

## Sparkling Gray, quiet McCulloch

## Man of the match: TONY HENDERSON (Marconi)

Marconi 4  
APIA 0

Marconi Stadium  
Crowd: 2,135  
Referee: R. Davies 8  
Cautions: McCulloch  
Scorers: Gray 2nd, 85th, Jankovic 52nd, Tradnick 55th.

Marconi swamped APIA Leichhardt at Marconi Stadium in one of the most one sided matches I have seen this year.

To add insult to injury Ian Gray, ex APIA, scored two goals for his new team while Tommy McCulloch was rarely seen for APIA.

The home side assumed the upper hand from the start, scoring very early through Ian Gray. A cross by Peter Sharne from the left eluded the outstretched leg of Tommy Steven to find Ian Gray on the edge of the area.

Gray wasted little time in tucking his right-footer inside the Post for the opening goal.

With one goal up, the home team continued to dominate but lost the urgency to find the net.

Rod Brown had the best of the clear-cut chances during this period when he latched onto a through ball by David Lowe but found the body of Bobby Catlin sprawled across the turf too big to pass.

Then came a short and spirited stint by Mark Jankovics. He replaced Sharne at half time and within minutes was on the scoresheet. Arno Bertogna's back pass miscued and found Jankovics close to the line. A desperate attempt by Bertogna and Catlin to retrieve the situation failed to stop Jankovics from scoring.

In the process Jankovics pulled his hamstring and Bertogna was also injured.

"I only wanted to get on the Park, score a goal, then come back and continue my conversation with Vieri," said Jankovics jokingly after the match.

The game was stopped for some three minutes but as soon as it resumed Peter Tradnick made it 3-0.

His intended cross from the left hand side sailed over the head of Bobby Catlin into the far corner of the net.

The best goal of the game came in the closing stages with Paul Carter — one of the best players on the Park — in full flight on the right flank.

His first-time volley shaved the crossbar, but had that one gone in it would have been one of the best seen this year.

With this win Marconi joined Croatia at the top of the ladder and with the game against Wollongong coming up looks like staying there for at least another round.

The match against Sydney Hakoah at Marconi on July 14 should prove vital.

## HICCUP!

● Tommy Docherty has been banned from driving in England for two years after drinking three times the legal limit. Docherty has been coaching Wolves.

# THE NSL's TOP SCORERS

Total	League	National Cup	Top four series
117. Gary Cole (Makedonia).....	96	12	9
109. John Kosmina (Syd. C. Hak).....	100	8	1
102. Mark Jankovics (Marconi).....	92	9	1
93. Phil O'Connor (Black).....	85	7	1

# KOSMINA HITS CENTURY



Peter Scott

## Marconi 1 SC-Hakoah 1

Venue: Sydney Athletic Field  
Scorers: Sharne 39th, Kosmina (pen) 88th.  
Crowd: 1221.  
Referee: Gary Power 9  
Yellow card: Henderson

John Kosmina of Sydney Hakoah became the first player to have scored 100 NSL goals when he slotted home a penalty in this match.

Although Gary Cole long has had an overall total of more than 100, counting Cup and finals goals, Kosmina is the first to reach the century on league games alone.

Croatia fans were at smiles as they watched Hakoah and Marconi battle out their bleak 1-1 draw.

The committed fans in the stands had precious little to cheer about as the match failed completely as a sporting entertainment.

Hakoah had the better of the first half and should have been ahead long before Peter Sharne capitalised on a very silly back-header by Steve O'Connor.

Sharne latched on to the ball, raced for the goal, and easily netted past Tony Pezzano, who was inexplicably stranded just in front of his own line.

Marconi then took control of the proceedings and only another defensive boo-boo forced them to share the points.

With only two minutes to go and in control, the visitors' defence allowed Gerry Gomez to glance a magnificent header towards McPherson's net.

Former Socceroo skipper Tony Henderson, in sheer desperation, palmed the ball volleyball style over the bar, oblivious to team-mate Ian Gray's presence on the goal line behind him.

He received a yellow card and gave current national captain John Kosmina a chance from the penalty spot which he duly converted for the equaliser.

This was some consolation for the tough centre-forward, who had a frustrating afternoon, and was unable to make a dent in the Marconi defence, due mainly to the lack of service from his midfielders.

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League	National Cup	Top four series
96	12	9
100	8	1
92	9	1
85	7	1



Cedo Cirkovic

## Man of the match: ALEX MCPHERSON (Marconi)

Even though his team almost snatched both points, Les Scheinflug backed up Eddie Thomson in allowing that Hakoah should have had a couple of goals in the first half.

Marconi can thank Alex McPherson and his immaculate goalkeeping for managing to stay on even terms.

If the result was satisfactory, the style of play was less so.

It was easy to see Hakoah's glaring deficiencies in building up its attacks. Equally amazing — from two of the two top teams in Australia — was the immature and inexplicable bunching together of players in the middle of the field, mostly ignoring the wide open spaces on the two wings.

Maybe it was the importance of the occasion, perhaps both teams are in a slump! Whatever the case, more, much more, can rightly be expected by fans from the second and third placed teams on the NSL's Northern Divisional ladder.

Politics cut crowds

● Marconi coach Les Scheinflug has unequivocally blamed internal club politics for the huge decline in Marconi's crowds over the past few seasons.

He was commenting on the fall in attendances at Marconi Oval, once upon a time one of the best supported soccer venues in Australia.

"It had to do with politics and the lack of harmony under the previous committee," he said. "The attitude to soccer was not the same as now and it resulted in a team which was not a winning one."

At times in the past couple of years there have been reports of more people inside the Marconi Social Club's doors, than at the adjacent soccer ground during NSL matches.

In spite of the close proximity of the venue — a matter of only about a 20 metre walk — Italian soccer fans preferred in large numbers to boycott soccer matches.

Scheinflug is confident that all this is changing, following election of a new committee and his return to the club after a stint as full-time Socceroo coach.

Let's hope he is right, as soccer desperately needs a healthy and vital Marconi in NSW. — PETER SCOTT



Don Macleod

Macleod intimated on TV that Cirkovic performed poorly as coach of JUST before he was replaced recently by Rocco Ilie.

"Macleod was never at one of my training sessions and we never have had any contact apart from saying hello a couple of times," Cirkovic said.

"All the players at JUST — Boland, Belic, Karic, Kryskoules, Lujic, Tapal, Barjaktarovic — were my players, and the move to get Bonacic and Kodjo from Yugoslavia, was started by me and my team manager, Simon Turudic.

"If Boland, Kryskoules, Karic, Belic or one of the players who trained so long under me were to criticise me, then OK. But when it comes from someone like Macleod who I've never had anything to do with, then I just laugh."

Cirkovic said Macleod's comments were little except bad manners.

Cirkovic has had many offers since he parted company with JUST, but wants to have a rest from soccer until next year.





## Syd Olympic 1 Wollongong 0

Venue: Pratten Park  
Scorer: Pollas 87th  
Crowd: 3489  
Referee: Tim Davies 7  
"We didn't deserve that!" was how exas-

# JUSTICE ELUDES GONG, POLIAS SNATCHES LATE WINNER

perated Wollongong coach Adrian Alston summed up this result.  
An opportunist goal by replacement Con Polias three minutes from time stole the points from the relegation-

haunted visitors.  
Wollongong had the better of play for most of the game and was worthy of a draw at the very least.  
Olympic was lucky to get any points at all. Its perform-

ance was utterly dreadful. Testimony to this were Greek fans who began to leave midway through the second half.  
It was a frustrating afternoon and both coaches would

be hard pressed to recall ever being involved in a match worse than this in their long and illustrious careers.  
Olympic's crippling injury toll continues. This time striker Mark Koussas was sidelined with a thigh injury. With the departure of Scottish guest star Dave Provan, the growing lack of quality players certainly has upset the side's style, balance and teamwork.



Mick Mikolajczyk

**Man of the match:**  
**ALEX BUNDALO**  
(Wollongong)

Assisting Bundalo were rangy Scott Dickson and Pat Brodnick who caused havoc in Olympic's defence, so much so that Jim Ziras was brought on to strengthen Olympic in this area.

In the 79th minute, Marshall Soper, seldom sighted, produced a moment of magic. He juggled the ball on his thigh just on the edge of the penalty area then turned to unleash a tremendous volley. Goalkeeper Kiri Velkov was equal to the task and aerobically tipped the ball over the bar.

Corner-kicks had posed problems for Wollongong during the match and three minutes from time Olympic scored from a corner.

Peter Raskopoulos took the kick. Soper headed the ball on and Con Polias stole in to finish from point blank range.

For Wollongong, struggling to a reasonable result for the first time in the league, justice seemed a million miles away.

# 20 for Brown, Egan

## SM-Hellas 2 AC-Juventus 1

Scorers: Egan 43rd, Brown 56th, Melia 63rd.  
Venue: Middle Park.  
Cautions: Brown (SMH), Referee: Chris Barnbridge 9.



Laurie Schwab

Adelaide Juventus's chances of winning this match were minimised by injuries to Brian Northcote and star recruit Colin McAdam from Glasgow Rangers.

McAdam's inclusion in mid-field would have given coach Edmund Krefl the option of using Charlie Villani and Brian Northcote as strikers — a formidable pair indeed.

Instead, Villani had to cover for Northcote in midfield and

the forward positions went to Fortu Costanzo and Aurelio Vidmar, both inexperienced and unable to make much of a dent in the Hellas defence.

Lack of striking power is Juventus's major problem. The team plays the ball around stylishly in midfield — particularly Adrian Santrac, Villani and Sergio Melia, who overlaps from right back.

**Man of the match:**  
**BUGSY NYSKOHUS**  
(AC-Juventus)



Doug Brown (left) and Charlie Egan — picture of a partnership, by LES SHORROCK

In fact, Juventus had a slight edge over Hellas in midfield because Oscar Crino had a slight lapse in form, Vlado Bozinovski was injured and replaced at half-time, and Gary McDowell, who usually plays in midfield, was sweeper this time because of an injury to John Yezdourn.

McDowell, though, did a dual job — surging forward whenever he wasn't required for defensive duties.

But most of the constructive things Hellas did came from strikers Doug Brown and Charlie Egan whose understanding was a most clairvoyant.

They set up chances galore for each other, each scored a goal and had man of the match Buggy Nyskohus throwing himself all over the place to keep Juventus in the game.

Both goalkeepers — Peter Laumets, Hellas and Willie McNally, Juventus — also performed well and the match itself was poised at knife edge after Melia had scored for Juventus to make the score 2-1 in the 63rd minute.

Villani, who had set the goal up for Melia, put the ball into the net again after Hellas left back Angie Postecoglou had made a horrendous mistake, but the linesman flagged offside and Hellas hung onto its lead.

Yet Hellas should have made the result beyond question following its second goal, scored by Brown in the 56th minute.

That rattled the Juventus defenders, and most of them — Nyskohus excluded — lost concentration, making them sitting ducks for the Brown-Egan combinations.

Only a minute after that goal, Egan was through on a pass from Brown but missed with only McNally to beat. Another lovely through ball from Brown set Egan up inside the area, but he shot across goal.

And so what should have been a four-goal lead to Hellas turned into a slender 2-1 score after Melia scored the match with promise. Steve Maxwell played a brilliant through ball for Vidmar to run onto. Vidmar's shot beat Laumets but bounced off the near post,

across goal and out of play on the far side.

It was after a through ball from Brown that Egan scored the first goal two minutes before half-time. His shot hit the underside of the crossbar, bounced down, back onto the crossbar, down, up and down again before the linesman flagged that it was a goal.

In the 56th minute Postecoglou went on a long run to the left and his cross, aimed at Egan, was punched out by

McNally, straight to Brown who belted it high into the net for his seventh goal of the season.

Egan had been his 13th, so between them, they have scored 20 of Hellas's 29 so far.

Villani set up Juventus's goal unselfishly in the 63rd minute. Although unchallenged in the middle, facing Laumets, Villani pushed the ball square to his right for Melia, who was coming through from behind.

## GREEK POWER!

By PHIL DIAMATARIS

STH MELB HELLAS 8 (Kostoglou 15th, 28th & 57th, Kanesoulis 50th, Vardaxis 46th, Zynas 42nd) FAWKNER 0 at Middle Park — Victorian Youth League.

HELLAS: Kanesoulis 8, Lovering 8, Mihos 8, Moschopoulos 8, Anazakis 7 (46th), Kasilas 7, Vardaxis 8, Kasmir 8, Kalogetos 7 (40th), Katsoulis 3, Kostoglou 8, Kymas 8. FAWKNER: Peris 5, Cannizzaro 4 (46th), Sidoti 4, Chiappe 4, Fella 5, Carrel 4, Palombio 5, O'Angelo 4, Michael 4, Zoubaris 4, Dalencio 4, Montaldo 4.

Falling crowds are fast becoming a major problem in the N.S.L. But after watching this Youth game, I feel Hellas has the answer right on its doorstep.

Even though the Hellas youths were playing a side well below standard, there are some talented young GREEK players who stood out.

The moral to the story is that maybe if these boys were given a chance — and I mean a decent chance — the crowds will come back to watch and admire THEIR young.

Hellas dominated from start to end.

Fawknor, though, did not give in and fought on till the final whistle. Fawknor players to stand out were Falla, Reimbolo and D'Angelo.

Tony Brown, the Hellas coach has his side playing at the standard that won the 1984 Australian youth championship.

Players like Moschopoulos, Australian youth representative Kanesoulis, Kalogetos, Vardaxis, Kostoglou and the player of the match Theo Kasmir all show excellent potential.

Hellas could have had an embarrassing lead at half time but the 3-0 scoreline was comfortable enough. The first two goals were scored by 16-year-old Kostoglou, who showed excellent composure after some fine work by Vardaxis and a cheeky dummy from Kalogetos.

His second was given to him on a 'platter' by a magnificent through pass from Kasmir.

Two of the more experienced players in the Youth side, Kanesoulis and Kalogetos combined after a short corner to have the Fawknor defence in a huge muddle and after an accurate cross by Kalogetos to the head of Xynas finished off another great move.

As soon as the second half started so did the Hellas machine and within 80 seconds Vardaxis made it 4-0. Kanesoulis scored the fifth.

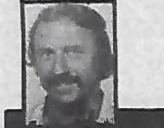
Kostoglou completed his hat-trick when he lashed at a Kanesoulis square pass.

Hellas has great depth in the youth side and with players like Nick Karantonis, Theo Mitsou, Con Rizopoulos, Harry Mavridis and Nick Karapidis to come back after injuries, Hellas has Greek youth to spare.

## Soft goals sink Buds

### N. Rosebud 0 Blacktown 3

Venue: Adamstown Oval  
Scorers: 69th Bradley, 78th O'Connor, 89th Bradley  
Referee: Terry Searcy 7.  
Cautions: Bouake (BC), McKie (BC).



Joe Lanzoni

A reshuffle of the backline by Willie Gallagher failed to arrest the string of soft goals Newcastle Rosebud has conceded in recent matches.

Although Ralph Maier had a better game in the midfield, Andrew Thompson played one of his more constructive games at left back, and Mark

Jones was by far the best Newcastle player in Maier's old position at right back, it was still not enough to prevent Blacktown from scoring a couple of soft goals at critical stages of the game.

After a scoreless first half, Newcastle resumed with more

**Man of the match:**  
**JOHN BRADLEY**  
(Blacktown)

determination gaining confidence as the game progressed. At that stage it looked like Newcastle was about to score, but in fact the closest it got was when Joe Ksenakakis brought a brilliant save out of Barry Hoare when he forced the keeper to fling himself to his right to palm out a sizzling shot.

From the ensuing corner Michael Boogaard's well placed header beat Hoare only to find reliable Stuart Selva on the line to head clear.

That was the last of Newcastle chances. Five minutes later, a Phil O'Connor corner was fumbled at the far post by Gosling. McKie's chip into the centre found the head of John Bradley and when it looked like Mark Jones was about to head the ball off the line, Gosling, in trying to recover, only managed to flick the ball off Jones' head and into the net.

Midfield dynamo Bradley continued to do the work of two players, helping in defence and always willing to assert himself in attack. His second goal one minute from time, a solo effort when he picked the ball up on the right, weaved his way around the defence before crashing a 30 metre diagonal drive past the groping Gosling, capped a fine display.

Earlier on, Phil O'Connor had made the match safe for Blacktown when he neatly turned a John McKie cross nodded on by John Larkin into the net and in so doing sent Newcastle to its sixth successive

## Green Gully 1 Heidelberg 1

Scorers: 0-1 Tsolakis 20th, 1-1 Campbell 50th.  
Venue: Green Gully Reserve  
Referee: Dennis Voutsinas 8  
Cautions: Cannell, Yankos.  
Bring on Footscray!



Peter Desira

That is the war cry from Green Gully Reserve after this morale boosting draw which put an end to a sequence of five defeats and re-opened the gap between the club and bottom placed JUST to three points.

The gloom and pressure surrounding the place for the past three weeks seemed to evaporate as Gully grabbed this match by the throat and applied the pressure in a relentless second half which left Heidelberg coach Brian Garvey thankful to emerge with a point.

Green Gully coach Steve Short is not perturbed by JUST's revival.

"We're not worried about them — it makes no difference to us what they are doing. We have the capability to win most of our games."

"They've still got to come here and play us and there's no way they are going to beat us here," he said.

The improved performance by Gully coincided with the first game for the club by Tommy Cummings, who beat the transfer deadline with a \$10,000 move from Melbourne Croatia on Friday.

The tiny player showed he has lost none of his drive, despite the three weeks of inactivity while on the list at Croatia and was among the best players on the park, offering himself all the time when the side was going forward, lurking just behind the front runners to pick up the loose balls and maintain the pressure, and getting back to defend on a number of occasions when Steve Tasios made upfield sorties.

But Cummings tied towards the end and asked to be replaced.

"He is a good player — he can see things happening and reacts. Others in the side see them too but cannot do anything about them."

"He is not as fit as he can be but he will get there and with his running is bound to score goals for us," Short said.

The other Green Gully star on the day was George Campbell operating on the left and causing plenty of bother with his close control and jinky runs into the box.

Deservingly he scored Gully's equaliser in the 50th minute and what must have been even more pleasing was that he got it with his head — meeting a Jimmy Williams corner to direct the ball past Jeff Oliver.

While Cummings and Campbell did well, neither stood out as much as Heidelberg's Oliver and sweeper Charlie Yankos.

The pair took most of the credit for the side's point on the day.  
Yankos defended superbly covering everything that got behind the back three, making several timely tackles and

his clearances whether it was in the air or on the ground.  
Oliver brought off some tremendous saves and had both Claude Lucchesi and Paul Lewis fuming as time after time he denied them of at least four certain goals.

Oliver's first important contribution came after only 10 minutes of play, with Cummings pushing the ball wide for Lucchesi to run on to. The keeper left his line and spread himself well forcing Lucchesi to fire his shot past the far post.

In the 18th minute, Stuart Cannell headed past Oliver in a corner kick situation but Steve Marley was on the goaline to head clear. The ball fell again

**Man of the match:**  
**JEFF OLIVER**  
(Heidelberg)

for Cannell but his central shot was saved by the keeper.

Heidelberg had hardly threatened Lou Denys at the other end at that stage but it showed Gully the way to finish by breaking the deadlock in the 20th minute.

A Tasios shot was blocked but bobbed around in the area and fell nicely for youngster Peter Tsolakis, who may have mislaid his shot, to notch his second goal in three senior NSL games.

The youngster possesses a tremendous burst of speed and was impressive in a period of 13 minutes while Heidelberg applied the pressure after the goal.

George Christopoulos, nagged by a slight groin strain, was replaced by Steve Winn at half time.

The equaliser finally arrived in the 59th minute after a succession of three corners.

And it was Gully which continued to exert the pressure in the closing stages of the game, with Oliver stopping a shot from David Smallman and then two minutes from the end palming away a dangerous swinging corner from Williams.

What must be considered as a reasonable result for Heidelberg came after a marathon extraordinary general meeting of the club's members to elect a new committee in the morning.

The 126 members finally decided to retain the interim committee and co-opt six new members to help run the club.

A section of supporters was already expressing its doubts about how long the new bumper-size committee would last but for the moment leaders Peter Tsolakis and Lou Yvanidis were pleased with the outcome and predicted a new sponsorship worth in excess of \$50,000 for the club to be signed this week.

KAT'S CORNER

with PETER KATHOLOS

MAVROS IS COMING

**AEK Athens will be touring Australia soon with new coach Jacek Gmoch and star striker Thomas Mavros.**

There was speculation recently that Mavros, who scored 30 goals in the last Greek season, wouldn't be heading our way but he's turned down the chance to play with New York Cosmos, great news for Australian soccer fans.

Gmoch, who has joined AEK on a one-year contract. He's a former Poland national coach and had success in Greece with Panathinaikos, his last club.

Mavros is one of Greece's finest players. Let's hope that his presence here brings out the Greek fans in their droves.

## A big step for Croatia

News that Sydney Croatia plans to go full time next season is just the boost we need at club level. Who knows, such a move may spark similar reaction among other clubs and wouldn't it be great to have a national League made up exclusively of full time clubs in the next decade or so.

However, you all know the big drawback — money. Or to be more succinct — attendances. We just don't draw enough people to our games to allow us to go full time. Sydney Croatia does, but I wonder if what we're seeing this season — a euphoric Sydney Croatia support that may dwindle if its team starts to lose a few games.

full time should be the aim of every top-notch club. Such a move is bound to improve standards and the quality of the spectacle. It also gives kids something to aim for and that's vital to the future of the game here.

## Will Provan come back?

Davie Provan, the Scotland international and Glasgow Celtic star, recently ended what must be one of the most successful guest stints ever in Australian soccer.

Of course, Davie played with my club, Olympic, and he scored five goals in five games as we collected a maximum 10 points. That record speaks for itself.

When he joined we were fourth last in the Northern Division. When he left we were fourth from the top.

Not only is Davie Provan a very fine player. He also is a genuinely warm and sincere person.

For my money, he could play in Europe whenever he wanted to. His ability to beat players is phenomenal. It really is.

Olympic wants Davie to return next season, that's what sort of influence his playing ability and his character had on the club committee, and when Davie was leaving he hinted that he wouldn't mind ending his playing career in Australia.  
Players like him are tremendous advertisements for the game.  
He's so helpful to other players. Take Chris Kalantzis for example. I was talking to Chris the other day and he was telling me all about the things he picked up from Davie.  
Frankly, Davie Provan is welcome back in

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# Biskic and Co. silence critics



Allan Crisp

**Man of the match:**  
**JOSIP BISKIC**  
(Melb. Croatia)

## W.A.-Hellas 0 Melb. Croatia 3

**Scorers:** Ljubic 46th, Ward 57th, House 79th.  
**Venue:** Hindmarsh Stadium.  
**Cautions:** Brown, Mousoulis (Hellas).  
**Referee:** Garry Power (NSW).

If there are any doubts about the validity of Melbourne Croatia's title pretensions, this commanding display will have silenced the sceptics.

After failing to accept several first-half gift opportu-



• Croatia's Ante Ljubic gets past West Adelaide goalkeeper Martyn Crook to score. At night is Steve Gojevic. Picture: FRANK HOBBS.

nities from an extremely benevolent Hellas defence, Croatia unwound a pleasing assortment of skilful football to romp home.

Ante Ljubic started Croatia's points chase when he latched onto a rebound to beat Martyn Crook, in the Hellas goal, only seconds after the second half started.

Garry Ward capitalised on a monumental mix-up between Chris Manou and Nick Mousoulis to make it 2-0, 12 minutes later.

Substitute Greg House scored the best goal of the game in the 79th minute.

House, who replaced the tiring Ljubic in the 74th minute, netted with a thundering first-timer after connecting with a fine cross from Josip Biskic.

The Hellas skipper marshalled his defenders well in the first-half and advanced in the second in an effort to salvage something from the havoc created by Biskic and company.

After scoring three goals in two games, the elegant Ljubic is proving a bonus for Croatia, but coach Dom Kapetanovic must be worried that his star import has yet to complete a full game.

The win will have boosted Croatia's finals prospects and changed West's motives for the rest of the season.

Now that it has lost four games in a row, Hellas must now gear its resources towards avoiding demotion rather than chasing another championship.

## Makedonia 2 George Cross 1

**Scorers:** Faulkner 9th, Ilioski 29th, Lane 77th.  
**Venue:** Connor Reserve  
**Crowd:** About 2000.  
**Yellow Cards:** Smith, Ilioski, McMillan (Makedonia); Richardson, McLaren (George Cross).  
**Referee:** Stuart Mellings 6.

With a top five position at stake, the stage was set for a thrilling encounter between these rivals.

George Cross, last year's wooden spooners, have shown great improvement under the astute guidance of coach Johnny Gardiner, and now is an outfit to be respected.

Makedonia started the season well, performed with distinction in the National Cup, but despite coach Bill Murray's attacking principles, found points difficult to come

by. Only in recent times has the team again shown glimpses of its true potential.

As Makedonia's captain Ian Dobson said the confidence and application of players has improved significantly in the past four or five weeks and this change in attitude is reflected in results.

Makedonia officials confirmed that negotiations have been finalised with midfielder Mile Necovski and the former Vardar Skopje player should arrive within three weeks. It was also confirmed, that outstanding young goalkeeper, Stuart Lee, was transferred from Ringwood Wilhelmia, so things are on the up and up for Preston Makedonia.

George Cross, but for perhaps 10 minutes, controlled the first half. It played like a top five team, had a mortgage on the middle of the park and was unlucky not to score more than one goal.

Jeff Faulkner was his usual steady self. Don McLaren was irresistible and Carl Gilder had the measure of Makedonia's defence. The 1-1 score at half time was not a true indication — George looked a much better team in the first period.

Bill Murray made an inspired substitution in the 53rd minute, reorganised the team, and Makedonia then took over.

Steve Smith, who was injured earlier on, was replaced by Graham Keys. Keys moved to leftback, Con Opasinis to midfield, and Gary Cole from midfield to the forward line.

Immediately, Makedonia looked more effective and started to win control of the middle third, where, up to that stage, only Zoran Ilioski had taken the eye for the home team.

George Cross, on the other hand, lost its composure and rhythm and gave the ball away through over dribbling and inaccurate, sloppy distribution.

Here are the highlights!  
• In the 6th minute Robbie Dunn moved forward, knocked the ball to Warren Spink expecting the return but Spink delayed and lost possession to Don McLaren. Ian Dobson was between two players — Ossie Latif and Carl Gilder.

He opted for Latif straight in front of goal, and McLaren saw the opportunity and released Gilder on the right.

Gilder ran into the penalty area unchallenged and his shot beat Phil Traianedes but bounced the wrong way off the upright.

• In the 9th minute Jeff Faulkner collected Mark Lennon's pass and pushed a pile-driver from some 25 metres. Traianedes watched in dismay as the ball cannoned into the back of the net from the post.

• In the 29th minute Makedonia equalized against the run



Stuart Lee

of play. Spink crossed from the right, Ilioski tried a diving header which did not connect properly, but the ball lobbed into the top corner completely wrong-footing keeper Lou Kastner.

• In the 38th minute, Don McLaren pushed the ball in front of Gilder, and Traianedes did well to palm his shot over the bar.

• 10 minutes into the second-half, Ilioski floated a freekick to the far post where Robbie Dunn was in position but his weak shot was easily saved by Lou Kastner.

• In the 76th minute, Gary Cole's shot was charged down and Sean Lane, following through, was stopped by a well-timed, sliding tackle from Gerry Bennett resulting in a corner kick.

Ilioski took the corner, Spink's shot was blocked and Sean Lane was on the spot to hammer home the rebound to give Makedonia valuable points and a chance for a top five berth.

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# INCANTALUPO, MIRANDA CLASH; JUVENTUS HOME WITH 10 MEN



• Fabio Incantalupo

## B. Juventus 2 Bris. Lions 1

**Scorers:** Petersen 14th, Zinni 75th (B.J.); Ogden 33rd (Lions).

**Venue:** Olympic Park No. 2.

**Crowd:** about 1,100.

**Cautions:** Vasquez (Lions).  
**Sent off:** Incantalupo 42nd (B.J.).

The antagonism between Juventus players Fabio Incantalupo and Richard Miranda will be sorted out this week by coach John Margaritis and team manager Joe Caruso.

"There's no big drama. You can't make a big issue out of this. Fab opened his mouth and was sent off. Big deal," said Caruso after the match.

But Caruso either had missed the point or was deliberately playing down the incident which occurred in the 42nd minute.

Being sent off for allegedly using foul and abusive language directed at a team mate is rare, despite what Caruso may say.

The ball was 20 metres away when Miranda and Incantalupo clashed verbally. Referee Jim Fokianos sent off Incantalupo who was seething, judging by the manner in which he ripped off his tie-ups and threw them on the ground in disgust. It didn't end there, either. Incantalupo let the Juventus bench know what he thought about the incident as he stormed toward the dressing rooms.

Some journalists in the press box suggested that Incantalupo and Miranda had been having a running feud at training for about four weeks. I don't know where their information came from. My understanding is that there wasn't one journalist there who attends Juventus training. Later on Sunday evening I spoke to Incantalupo, who had left straight after the match.

"No, there's been no argument between me and Richard Miranda at training," he said.

The press box at Olympic Park No. 2 is in the clouds. There's no way that any journalist can hear what's going on out on the pitch. At half time I went down to the players' race and spoke to a friend of mine, Stuart Smith, who told me that Miranda had yelled to the Juventus bench to take off Incantalupo and that that remark had sparked the altercation. Incantalupo confirmed Smith's observation, but wouldn't comment further.

So Incantalupo will be suspended for this weekend's

game, which means that a cease-fire has been called in his battle with Andrew Zinni for a spot in the starting line-up.

How precious the points were here for Juventus. Playing with 10 men throughout the second half, it was staring down the barrel but with the grit and determination which championships are made of, it refused to surrender its leadership of the Southern Division.

And barely more than 1,000 people watched the action. I've given up trying to work out why so many Italians have given up watching Juve. Incidentally, the Black and White birds have become a bore — same bums and streamers wagging to the same tune and the same steps.

A measure of Juve's early dominance was that it took 25 minutes for Yakkia Banovic to get his first touch of the ball. In this time, Mike Petersen's renowned goalkeeping skills conspired up a goal while Lions goalie Wayne Evans saved from Incantalupo and Robbie Cullen. In short, Juve's control should have been translated into a scoreline on which it could have cruised despite its numerical disadvantage in the second half.



**Man of the match:**  
**PAUL WADE**  
(B. Juventus)

Craig Mackenzie

Petersen's goal came in the 14th minute. Eddie Campbell turned one way, then the other, then back the other way and back again, taunting and teasing his opponent out wide on the left. Campbell's cross found Paul Wade at the edge of the area and Wade headed toward Petersen who had found space at the far post for Campbell's cross. Petersen lobbed the ball over an opponent superbly, turned inside, then thumped his shot into the roof of the net from six metres.

Lions scored in the 33rd minute but two minutes earlier, Juventus should have gone further ahead. All sorts of off-the-ball runs were made as Peter Lewis prepared to take a free kick on the right. The runs drew attention away from Wade at the far post and

Evans parried Wade's header. Joe Sweeney latched onto the ball but had his shot blocked. The ball lobbed up and Sweeney's header wasn't first enough, enabling Evans to snatch the ball.

Lions scored when Richard Bassingthwaite drove the ball in from the right. Brian Brown slid down but couldn't get power on his attempted clearance. In darted John Ogden, who skipped past a defender then drilled his shot low into the far corner.

One of the most significant moments of the game came in the 63rd minute when Sweeney, who was clean through but had his shot in the 48th minute blocked by Evans, came off and on went Andrew Zinni. The tactic was clear. Juventus was going to play balls over the top to Zinni and Cullen.

It worked, albeit thanks to a

dreaddful mix-up in the Lions defence.

A ball played over the top in the 75th minute was too far in front of Zinni. Evans charged off his line and always was going to get there first as Zinni and Alan Hunter raced into the Lions area. Somehow, Evans and Hunter got mixed up, and a startled Zinni found himself in possession, with an unguarded goal beckoning him. So he simply took a few paces forward then stroked the ball home.

And while Zinni was here for a day, it was Yakkia Banovic who had kept the scoreline at 1-1 for the first 30 minutes of the second half. His save from a Jim McDonagh header in the 54th minute was special. Phil Redmond had done the damage out wide on the left, supplying the cross which picked out the unmarked McDonagh dead in front. McDonagh did his bit too, connecting powerfully and heading down. But the Lions duo hadn't counted on those lightning Banovic reflexes. Banovic threw out a foot and blocked the ball, much to McDonagh's dismay. Four minutes later, Banovic made a superb save from a fierce Redmond drive.

# MONARO UNBEATEN IN SEVEN WEEKS

## Syd. Croatia 1 Inter-Monaro 1

**Scorers:** Savor 7th, Walsh 28th.

**Venue:** Bruce Stadium

**Ref:** Sam Zoumas (Melbourne).

**Cautions:** Krncevic, Titilas, Ambrosino, Arnold, Basic.

**Crowd:** 3,275.  
Twice NSL Northern Division leader Sydney Croatia hit the woodwork, but Inter-Monaro fought doggedly to deserve its 1-1 draw.

Monaro, in its first year of NSL soccer, stretched its unbeaten run to seven games.

And coach Frank Maccarone summed up Inter's achievement best when he said: "I take my hat off to every player."

"I never thought we could hold Sydney Croatia. But every player played above himself."

"It was simply a gutsy, total team effort. No coach could ask for more."

Understandably spirits were high in the Monaro dressing room after the game.

It wasn't the same in the Sydney Croatia dressing room. They really wanted both points — and after twice hitting the woodwork, felt bitterly disappointed at the draw.



Peter Windsor

**Man of the Match:**  
**ANGELO AMBROSINO**  
(Inter-Monaro)

ed in brilliant fashion. Spirited tackling and the sheer pace of front-runners Krncevic, Jurin and Arnold played havoc with a then unsettled and nervous Monaro back-line.

Sydney Croatia deserved its seventh-minute 1-0 lead — with decisive, creative lead-up play coming from Zarko Odzakovic.

Twice the big man shrugged off tackles by rugged Monaro defender Mike Tullawa before slipping the ball back to Wally Savor whose 20-metre shot burst through a packed goalmouth and into the net.

It was a great match which kept the crowd of 3,275 on its toes from start to finish.

After 10 minutes, however, Monaro settled down in defence and came close to equalising in the 13th minute.

Winger Chris Thammides struck his free kick beautifully and when it fell to Angelo Titilas only a metre or so out, a goal looked imminent but somehow Croatia's defence scrambled the ball to safety.

It was again Titilas in the 23rd minute with a close-range shot that Croatia's goalkeeper Steve Watson got down to save just inside the post.

Monaro, deserved its equaliser in the 28th minute. And the instigator was striker Baz Giampaolo.

His ball skills left two defenders stranded and when he slipped the ball to Thammides Watson could only parry the winger's eight metre shot.

The ball bounced loose on the right flank and big John Walsh, being used as a forward rather than full back, slammed it into the empty net.

Croatia always dangerous on the break — saw Graham Arnold shoot only to have Stokking make a fine save and just seconds from the half-time whistle guest player Eddie Krncevic's brilliant heading ability saw him nod the ball to the feet of Jimmy Patikas.

Patikas lashed in a shot from only metres out and it deserved better. It had Hocking beaten but slammed into the net.

Monaro, however, lifted its play in the second half.

Despite an absence of goals, it was 45 minutes of nail-biting soccer as both sides strove for victory.

Play became very willing and Melbourne referee Sam Zoumas, who otherwise handled the game superbly,

handed out numerous yellow cards.

Both sides created goalscoring chances — but again it was Sydney Croatia that went closest — just five minutes from the final whistle.

Second-half substitute Emil Dragicevic, who began the season with Monaro, got his head to a cross from Krncevic and it looked a certain goal but the ball dropped onto the crossbar.

As I said earlier, the draw

stretched Monaro's run to seven without defeat and it meant the side had taken two points from its hardest consecutive games — Sydney Ha-kiah, with which it drew 2-2 in Sydney, and Sydney Croatia.

This weekend Inter faces Penrith at Seiffert Oval and victory would give it 18 points and an outside chance of still making the top five.

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# INTER MONARO

## Amazing rise in just 18 years

Inter Monaro is the soccer wing of the large Marco Polo club in Queanbeyan. The Marco Polo club complex takes up about five acres and the club boasts a membership of around 500.

The land on which the Marco Polo club is built was bought in 1961 and the club has been licensed since 1975. The social club has a large reception area upstairs which can accommodate 400 people and downstairs there's a dining area, poker machines and an office area.

The complex also has four bocce courts, a darts area and plans are afoot to build tennis courts.

Inter Monaro was formed in 1967. The founder members were: Benito Di Bitonto, president; Lino Guglielmin, vice-president; Laurie Zanotto, secretary; Laurie Pastrello, assistant secretary; Mirko Pavan and Tony Gasparotto.

Monaro's first year was highly successful. The team won the A.S.C.T. Second Division championship and also won the Ampol Cup, beating First Division club Juventus 2-1 in the final.

Monaro finished fourth in First Division in 1968, runner-up in 1970 and 1976, then finally clinched the coveted championship in 1977 and successfully applied for admission to the NSW State League.

Since then, Monaro has won two major NSW honors — the 1979 Grand Final, with a 2-1 win over Sutherland, and last year's league championship, which won the club its current National League Northern Division status.

Monaro's coaches have been Frank Birano, a former Torino youth team and ex-APIA Leichhardt player; Jose Arquero, Vic Fernandez, the former St George Budapest player and Canberra coach; the great Roberto Vieri, ex-Roma and Bologna player; Josef Procop, former Rumanian youth team coach; and current coach, Frank Maccaroni, whose first coaching stint with Monaro, from 1977 to 1981, makes him the longest serving coach in the club's history.

Inter Monaro has around \$30,000 in sponsorship this year, from major and minor sponsors, and the club hopes to announce big news about a sponsorship deal at the end of the year.

Inter Monaro wants to thank all its sponsors, from those who give \$100 to those who give \$1000 and more. As a club spokesman said: "No matter how little or how big, all our sponsors deserve thanks for contributing to our club and it's greatly appreciated."

The board of the Marco Polo club, which runs Inter Monaro, numbers six in all. The board members are:

Mario Florian, president; Lino Sella, vice president; Pasquale Messina, honorary secretary; Tony Guglielmin, treasurer; Henry Panzas and Maurizio Felizzi.

There are many others who help in the running of the soccer club notably the ladies committee, a hard working group, who deserve special mention.

Inter Monaro had its problems earlier this year but all that is behind the club now, as it goes flat out to consolidate its National League status. One thing's certain. Few clubs in Australia have such a short history and enjoyed such a rapid rise. In just 18 years, Inter Monaro won a place in the most prestigious, most demanding club competition in the land.



Inter Monaro, back row: Carlo Ambrosino, Gabriel Domazetovich (transfer listed), Michael Hocking, John Welsh, Santolin. Front row: Steve Hozowski, Andrew Monterosso (transfer listed), Baz Giampaolo, Chris Themrid, Harry Williams, Angelo Titilas, Billy Willox. Picture: LES SHORR

## Top clubs for Mid-Winter Cup

Inter Monaro publicity officer Gianni D'Addario is close to completing the organising of The Mid-Winter Cup, a four team, round robin competition, to be held late this month and early August.

D'Addario already has received approval for the competition from the ASF and NSL and Sydney Croatia and Blacktown have confirmed their acceptance of invitations to take part.

Now D'Addario has set his sight on one of four other NSL clubs, which along with Monaro, will make the competition one of the best mini-tournaments in Australian soccer.

D'Addario hopes that the fourth club will be either Sydney Olympic, APIA Leichhardt, Wollongong Juventus or South Melbourne Hellas.

The competition is run over three days. On August 27 and 28 at Bruce Stadium, the first two rounds will take place, and the final round is held at St. Mary's Oval on August 4.

It's an ambitious project, but one which will reap rewards for Inter Monaro.

It certainly will reap a healthy dividend for the winning club which will receive \$3,000.

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# Frank Maccarone and his men are on the march

By  
**CRAIG  
 MACKENZIE**

Frank Maccarone is coaching Inter Monaro purely for love. He must be. He doesn't get paid. Never has done.

"I've never taken a cent for coaching. I don't need money to coach. It only complicates things. All I want is to be able to do things my way," said Maccarone.

And doing things his way has paid huge dividends ever since he took up coaching in the early 1960s.

Born in Chieti in Italy, Maccarone came to Australia in 1961 and played with Canberra club Juventus, now known as West Woden Juventus. When he concentrated upon coaching, it brought spectacular results. Under Maccarone, Juventus won 12 championships, cups galore, and enjoyed two three-year spells undefeated.

He left Juventus in 1976 because the club didn't want to take a crack at the NSW State League. Inter Monaro did, and that's where Maccarone went.

In his first season with Inter, 1977, the club went through the A.C.T. First Division undefeated and won a place in the NSW State League. Maccarone was to stay at Inter until the end of the 1981 season. The team finished 5th in State League in 1978; second in 1979 and won the Grand Final 2-1 against Sutherland; lost most of its players for the following season and was last at the halfway mark but rose to a 5th place finish; then finished 6th in 1981.

"I was tired of all the travelling. I needed a rest and I took a year off in 1982, then I coached Croatia Deskin in 1983 and 84. They finished second both years," said Maccarone.

In March this year, he answered an S.O.S. from Inter's board. The president at the time, Laurie Patstrello, had other ideas though, on who should take over the coaching reins from the departed Josef Procop.

"Mr Pastello went to Sydney to hire Luciano Netti as coach but when he came back the board told him that they wanted me instead. I've never got on well with Mr Pastello but he's left the club now and things have changed a lot since I came back.

"Things were in a mess when I returned. I was very disappointed with morale and with the general condition of the players and we had to do work that really should have been done pre-season. The defence was a disaster and I had to make all the players understand that they were good enough to play in the National League.

"We're like a close-knit family now. The spirit is there and we're getting better results. My aim is to consolidate our position in the National League then we can aim for the final five next year. And I'm confident that we can do it."

Maccarone didn't have a great start to this second stint with Monaro. Star striker Walter Valeri seriously injured knee ligaments in Maccarone's first week back. Valeri will be out of action until next year.



• Inter Monaro star Baz Giampaolo, second from left, clowns around with Rudi Gutendorf's Socceroos in New Zealand in 1981. From left: Alan Maher, Giampaolo, Kenny Boden, John Yzendoorn, Mark Jankovics, Eddie Krncevic, Steve Perry (obscured), Peter Sharn, Gutendorf, Billy Rogers, Peter Katholos, Murray Barnes, Alan Davidson.

But Maccarone was able to lure back some players who had been told that they weren't good enough that the club couldn't afford them and his judgement has been thoroughly vindicated. Since his return, Maccarone has succeeded in getting Steve Hoszowski, Angelo Ambrosino, and Harry Williams to return to the fold, and he's signed Mike Tuilawa from West Woden Juventus.

So let's look at the men assigned the task of consolidating Inter's NSL status, through the eyes of the man who coaches them:

**STEVE HOSZOWSKI** (Goalkeeper): "One of the most experienced goalkeepers around. I remember back in the 1970s when he was with Auburn. I thought that he was the best goalie in NSW, so I had no doubts at all about his ability."

**MICHAEL HOCKING** (Goalkeeper): "A youngster with a big, big future. His reflexes are absolutely superb. On his line, he's brilliant. He's lacking a little in coming off his line but that will develop in time. It's just a matter of experience."

**MIKE TUILAWA** (Defender): "Very experienced. Mike had been wasting his time in the local competition because he's a fine player. He's strong in the tackle, he reads the game well, and he's fast."

**HARRY WILLIAMS** (Defender): "What can you say about Harry? He's done it all. He's still a very, very good player. He's so cool at the back."

**RICKY BUDINI** (Defender): "A very strong sweeper with plenty of experience with Marconi and Avala. Ricky, of course, won the NSW Rothmans Medal with Avala last year."

**ANGELO TITILAS** (Defender): "He joined us from Greece last year and he's a powerful stopper. Strong in the tackle and in the air."

**JOHN SANTOLIN** (Defender): "What a steady, reliable player he is. I know that I can rely on him any time. He's a great team man and he's our captain. He's the longest serving player at the club."

**BILLY WILLOX** (Midfielder): "A complete player. He can run, he can tackle, he can pass, and he can score goals. He's a fine attacking midfielder."

**ATTILIO CARBONE** (Midfielder): "What an intelligent player he is. We signed him from Marconi this year. He can attack and he can defend, so he does a lot of work for us."

**ANGELO AMBROSINO** (Midfielder): "Very, very strong. I use him mainly as a defensive midfielder which is a role I believe that he's ideally suited for."

**TONY BRENNAN** (Forward): "It all depends on the day sometimes. He can make miracles if he wants to. He puts his heart into it all the time. I know that, and he's a good team man. He can win a game for you."

**BAZ GIAMPAOLO** (Forward): "Everyone in Australian soccer knows that he's a good player. In fact, there are very few like him around. He's one of the most skillful players in our game today."

**CHRIS THAMNIDES** (Forward): "What a lot of skill he's got. If he'd just not be so selfish at times. He's got so much ability it's not funny."

**JOHN WALSH** (Utility): "Original

nally a striker, but I can use John anywhere and he'll do well. He's got an enormous heart. He's a true competitor. He's fast too."

Maccarone predicts that some of his young players are going to make a big impression on the Australian scene. Among them are Joe Gaglietti and Carlo Ambrosino, Angelo's brother. Of Gaglietti, Maccarone says:

"He's strong in the tackle, he's fast and he's good in the air." Of Carlo Ambrosino, he says: "He's a very, very skilful player. He's an attacking midfielder and like Gaglietti, he's got a great future."

Another one of the promising young breed at Monaro is 18 year old striker Frank D'Addario, the former Canberra youth team player. D'Addario was injured in May against St George but hopes to be back in action soon.

Maccarone selects Sydney Croatia as the best side he's seen this year. "They're really skilful and their professionalism shines through, in fact Sydney Croatia is one of the finest teams I've ever seen in Australia."

If Sydney Croatia sets the standard for next year's Inter Monaro outfit, the Canberra-based club has a lot to live up to but Maccarone remains confident about Inter's immediate prospects and its chances of doing greater things next year.

And what current NSL coach can say that he's won 13 league titles?

Come to think of it, can any NSL coach lay claim to such a feat? Frank Maccarone can.



Joe Gaglietti, Tony Brennan, Angelo Ambrosino, John Attilio Carbone, Ricky Budini. Missing: Mike Tuilawa, K.



• Inter Monaro defender Harry Williams (right) in action for his former club St George, is sent flying by this challenge from ex-Footscray J.U.S.T. player Jim Milne. Williams made 43 Socceroo appearances.

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**'RUBBISH' WILSON SLAMS THOMASTOWN**

## McLachlan discovers Vogel, Vales discover commitment

**Springvale 2  
Thomastown 0**
**Scorers:** Luca 28th, Matthews 46th.

**Venue:** Ross Reserve

The Springvale players were nervous before the game. So was new coach Bobby McLachlan, who had taken over from Ian Greener through the week. There was no Jim Nelson (he was getting married), and Ged Bannon just had failed a fitness test on his injured hamstring. Springvale was at the foot of the State League ladder.

McLachlan checked the names of the players available to replace Bannon. "Which one's Martin Vogel?" asked McLachlan. Vogel responded. "Do you want to play right back or right midfield?" asked McLachlan. Vogel wanted to play right back.

And 90 minutes later, Springvale fans, some every bit as incredulous as I was, were cheering Vogel and every Springvale player off the park as the team had won its first home game of the season.

The Thomastown camp, in stark contrast, was devastated by its loss. Coach Joe Wilson summed up his team's display in one word: "Rubbish!"

**by CRAIG MACKENZIE**

Wilson was right. McLachlan had said before the game that if Thomastown was allowed to play it would destroy Springvale. But Springvale players hustled and hustled all over the park, displaying a commitment rarely seen this year. They thoroughly deserved their success.

Springvale had too much dig for Thomastown. Frankly, some Thomastown players don't respond well when opponents get stuck in. That's something that Wilson and the Thomastown committee must look at closely.

"We've lost seven out of a possible eight points in the last four weeks. We've got a couple of players who are living on their reputations and that's got to change. We can't keep giving them a chance," said Thomastown team manager Marcelo D'Amico.

But back to Springvale's commitment. Big stopper John Luyten has taken some stick from Springvale fans this year. I've seen Luyten play only three times and frankly, he's disappointed me. But this was a different Luyten we saw here. He was faultless, in the air and on the ground. And he had plenty mates in this department. Mark Matthews worked like a man possessed.

So did Keith Humble. So did Gordon Bentley. And out wide Dave Luca was in sparkling form while the other wide midfielder, Joe D'Amico, gave young Thomastown defender, Frank Aracora, a bath in the first half.

Keith Adams was commanding in his sweeper's role and little Tommy Fitzpatrick never gave an inch. Up front, Neil Garvey offered himself at every opportunity, shielding the ball superbly and allowing players time to support him. Goalkeeper Perry Mur did his bit too.

In short, Springvale didn't have a bad player.

On the other hand, picking good Thomastown players was hard work. Mauro Raponi in goal, did everything asked of him while forward Brian Flaherty at least put some heat into his display, and tried to get things going. But Thomastown had far too many passengers. Losing striker Frank Fragale in the 10th minute through injury didn't help. He was replaced by young Joe Alizzi.

In the 4th minute, Garvey headed wide after Bentley had chipped the ball over Andy Smale's head and Raponi did well to push out a Luca shot

from 20 metres in the 18th minute.

Springvale struck its first blow in the 28th minute. D'Amico skinned Aracora out wide on the right then sent over a superb far post cross which was headed in by Luca.

Four minutes later, Flaherty played a fine through ball to Alizzi on the right of the Springvale area. Alizzi slid down and couldn't make firm enough contact, allowing Vogel to clear from one metre out.

Luca curled in a tremendous shot in the 35th minute but again Raponi was equal to the task, palming wide at the far post.

I expected Thomastown to come out in much more determined fashion after the break but a minute into the second half, the Vales struck again, taking a lot of the stuffing out of Thomastown.

Garvey turned well then hit a firm shot which Raponi did well to parry but the incoming Matthews slammed the ball into the unguarded goal and the Vales were well on their way.

In the 50th minute, Frank Dallas cut the ball back from the right and Tony Costantino's shot on the turn was blocked by Vogel then knocked out by Adams.

Thomastown almost scored in the 53rd minute. Flaherty played the ball square to the overlapping Kevin Carfora on the right. Carfora crossed into the Springvale area and a superb first time volley from Alizzi struck the bar. From that point on, Thomastown struggled to create chances.

Wilson had pushed Costantino into midfield in the second half and put Nick Constantino back to left back and when Carfora came off, Costantino went to right back but these switches never lived up to a lethargic Thomastown.

Right on full time, the Vales should have made it 3-0. The move was one of the finest of the day's play, a measure of Springvale's dominance.

Garvey shielded well, then played the ball square to the overlapping Adams on the right wing. Adams knocked the ball to the feet of Hugh Campbell, who had replaced injured D'Amico in the 78th minute. Campbell, inside the Thomastown area, laid the ball back for the incoming Humble, whose well struck shot was tipped wide by Raponi.

It was a fine interpassing move and judging by the euphoria in the social rooms at the end of the match, it was a portent of things to come. Time will tell.

**Buffalo State League standings**

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
CROYDON	10	4	1	33	8	24
MORWELL	9	3	3	30	15	21
POLOINA	8	4	3	31	17	20
BOX HILL	7	5	3	27	20	19
F'ston Pines	7	4	4	30	21	18
West. Suburbs	6	4	5	20	19	16
Fawkner	6	3	6	29	22	15
Thomastown	5	5	5	18	19	15
Northcote	4	5	6	21	26	13
Alb. Turk Gucu	4	3	8	12	25	11
R. Wilhelmina	3	4	8	13	27	10
St Alb. Dinamo	4	2	9	21	36	10
Springvale	3	3	9	13	21	9
Knox City	3	3	9	10	32	9

**ALBION TURK GUCU 0 ST ALBANS DINAMO 2 (Bruno 56, Batovic 79th) at Selwyn Park, Saturday.**

ALBION TURK GUCU: W Bryden 2 — Galea 2 (Alfonso 75th). Gilmour 4, Gatt 2, Douglas 6 — Bennett 2, Reilly 4, Purcell 2 (St Alb 75th). — T. Latif 2. Price 2, Paterson 3. Coach: Tommy Traynor.

ST ALBANS DINAMO: M Grigic 3 — Kustura 2, Brkicic 3, Ramljak 3. S Grigic 2 — Batovic 3, Radman (inj), Bozic 5th, 31, Culina 2, Dezic 2 — Kuma 3, Bruno 3. Coach: Tony Vrina.

Best three for Shipano Player of the Year award: 3 Douglas (Albion), 2 Gilmour (Albion), 1 Reilly (Albion).

**SPRINGVALE CITY 2 (Luca 28th, Matthews 46th) THOMASTOWN 0 at Ross Reserve, Saturday.**

SPRINGVALE CITY: Perry Mur 8 — Vogel 8, Adams 8, Luyten 7, Fitzpatrick 7 — D'Amico 7, K Humble 8, Bentley 8 (Beard 82nd), Luca 8 — Garvey 7, Matthews 8 (inj, Campbell 78th). Coach: Bobby McLachlan.

THOMASTOWN: Raponi 7 — Carfora 5 (Planalto 68th), Costantino 4, Smale 8, Aracora 4 — Dallas 6, B Coyle 4, N Constantino 4 — Iakic 5, Fragale (inj), Alizzi 10th, 51, Flaherty 7. Coach: Joe Wilson.

Best three for Shipano Player of the Year award: 3 Luca (Spring), 2 Adams (Spring), 1 K Humble (Spring).

**MORWELL FALCONS 2 (Stirton 13th, Moore 76th) KNOX CITY 0 at North Chiglin Reserve, Saturday.**

MORWELL FALCONS: Blasby 7 — Bingham 8, Bruns 7, Tull 7, Train 7 — O'Callaghan 7, Moore 7, MacLean 8, Cassar 6 — Stirton 7, Athersch 7. Coach: Jimmy Dunne.

KNOX CITY: McKurk 6 — Loy Salsi 5, Tunstall 7, Bissinger 7, Roddis 7 — Pate 6, Underwood 7, Wild 5 (Turner 82nd) — G Bakker 6 Phillips 5 (Byrne 70th), Lucio Salsi 6. Coach: Duncan Smith.

Best three for Shipano Player of the Year award: 3 Cassar (MF), 2 Bingham (MF), 1 MacLean (MF).

**CROYDON 5 (French 15th, penalty 26th, 31st, Kerr 83rd, Brogan 89th) NORTHCOTE 0 at Croydon Park, Sunday.**

CROYDON: Whiteside 8 — Brown 8, Singleton 7, O'Reilly 8, Tansey 7 (inj, Bates 80th) — Livingstone 9, Kerr 8, Beach 8 — Ollerton 7 (Taylor 82nd), French 8, Brogan 7. Coach: Peter Ollerton.

NORTHCOTE: Giannopoulos 5 — Patinoitis 6, Cutler 5, Bozakis (inj, off 82nd), Kouremenos 4 (Stiladias 70th) — Bekiaris 6 (inj, J Constantino 43rd, 51), Wilson 6, Toro 7 — P Constantino 4, Patskos 5 (inj, off 78th), Filippis 4. Coach: Jimmy Pyrgos.

Best three for Shipano Player of the Year award: 3 Livingstone (Croy), 2 French (Croy), 1 Beach (Croy).

**BOX HILL 2 (Verachia 55th, McPhee 61st) WESTERN SUBURBS 1 (K Coyle 25th) at Wembley Park, Sunday.**

BOX HILL: McKinley 7 — McPhee 5, Baic 5, McMillen 6, A. Rodhouse 5 — Taylor 5, Hennessy 7, Hughes 6, White 6 — Verachia 8. Lawler 6. Coach: Keith Webster.

WESTERN SUBURBS: Apostolidis 8 — Kakantonis 6, Dimovski 6, Esposito 6, Howe 6 (Beattie 16), K Coyle 6, Palmicicotti 6 (John Condilis 85th), Hamill 6 — Stenson 8, Tuck 7, McGuinness 6 (sent off 65th). Coach: Jimmy Condilis.

Best three for Shipano Player of the Year award: 3 Stenson (WS), 2 Verachia (Box Hill), 1 Apostolidis (WS).

**FAWKNER 4 (Cuzzella 11th, 20th, Quigley penalty 13th, Lin 19th) RINGWOOD WILHELMINA 2 (Stewart 3rd, van Egmond 81st) at Smith Reserve, Sunday.**

FAWKNER: Terzini 6 — Schipano 6, Fawkes 7, Macleod 8, Jolevski 7, Cuzzella 6, Quigley 8, Lin 7 — Palinkas 8, Cuzzella 7 (inj, Loughnane 61st), Cicolani 6 (Arco 72nd), Coach: Pepe Carrassi.

RINGWOOD WILHELMINA: Lee 7 — Storm (inj), van Egmond 30th, 71, Corke 5, Murray 6, Shannon 7 — Kabebe 8, Haupt 7, Burton 8, Stewart 7 — Thompson 6, Nyholt 6. Coach: Cor Teeuw.

Best three for Shipano Player of the Year award: 3 Palinkas (Fawk), 2 Burton (RW), 1 Macleod (Fawk).

**POLOINA 1 (Warszawski 69th) FRANKSTON PINES 0 at Raleigh Reserve, Sunday.**

POLOINA: Dzielakowski 7 — Liparski 7, Innes 8, Mila 8, Smolarek 8 — Gregorczyk 7 (Auld 70th), Gibson 9, Avian 7, Little 6 (Kolaric 80th) — Przybyla 6, Warszawski 6. Coach: Eddie Field.

FRANKSTON PINES: Janssen 7 — Cumming 7, Thurlow 7, Lawson 7 (inj, Ross 40th, 71), Watson 8 — Cooke 6, Cullen 6, Miller 8 — Dick 7, Webster 8, Thomas 8. Coach: Denny MacMillan.

Best three for Shipano Player of the Year award: 3 Gibson (Poll), 2 Webster (Pines), 1 Watson (Pines).

**SCHIPANO BEST PLAYER AWARD**

Schipano Home Furnishers are sponsoring our 1985 State League Player of the Year award. The winner receives \$1,000 worth of furniture of his choice.

Leading votegetters:  
18 — Costantino (Thomastown)  
18 — Livingstone (Croydon)  
18 — Webster (Pines), Adams (Springvale), Culina (Dinamo).

14 — Hughes (Box Hill), MacLean (Falcons)  
13 — Bissinger (Knox), Haupt (Wilhelmina)  
12 — McGuinness, Dimovski (Suburbs)  
10 — Harrison (Box Hill), Beach (Croydon), Quigley (Fawkner), Cook (Pines), Gibson (Poll).

9 — Verachia (Box Hill), Cuzzella (Fawkner), Bannon (Springvale), Stenson, Esposito (Suburbs)

**VSF TRAVEL CLUB AWARD**

The VSF Travel Club, in conjunction with Ametco Travel, is sponsoring our 1985 State League Top Scorer award. The winner receives a return trip to Singapore, flying Thai International.

Leading scorers:  
14 — Thomas (Pines)  
13 — French (Croydon)  
12 — A Humble (Box Hill), Athersch (Falcons)  
11 — Warszawski (Polonia)  
10 — McGuinness (Suburbs)

8 — Cuzzella (Fawkner), P Constantino (Northcote)  
7 — Webster (Pines), Morovic (Dinamo)  
6 — Stirton (Falcons), Flaherty, Lalik (Thomastown)

## Toal to Broadmeadows, Akritidis sent off

**BROADMEADOWS 0  
NUNAWADING CITY 1 (Middlemast 55th) Victorian First Division match at Laura Douglas Reserve, Sunday.**

BROADMEADOWS: McRae, Smart (Liberto 82nd), De-Sa, Donaldson, Higham, Blair, Vizzini, Vaccaro (Cantare 30th), Perkin, Toal, Griffiths.

NUNAWADING CITY: Madjer, Brown, Moyle, Servino, Deane, Mullett, Greenwald, Nelles, Roggero, Middlemast, Pote.

Nunawading City gained two valuable points with a solid 1-0 win in windy conditions on Sunday. Although Broadmeadows had first use of the wind, it constantly overhit balls and consequently created few chances.

Its best opportunity came in the 17th minute when Madjer and Moyle collided going for a high ball and new signing on loan from George Cross, striker Bobby Toal, was left with a clear shot but missed.

Nunawading pressed forward with the wind in the second half and Mullett brought a full length save from Robert McRae before the

deadlock was broken in the 55th minute.

Roggero swung over a curling corner that McRae only could get his fingertips to and Chris Middlemast, at the far post, was on hand to head home.

Shortly after, Middlemast related to the game with a glancing header and McRae made a fine reflex save.

At the other end, a cross from De-Sa resulted in a scramble on the Nunawading goal line before the ball was cleared.

Nunawading's only other scare came when Moyle was well placed to chest a header off the line in the 74th minute.

**ELTHAM 4 (Moulis 30th, Schipano 35th, Dixon own goal 70th, Norton 80th) WAVELEY CITY 2 (Grimwade 20th, pen. 85th) Victorian Second Division match at Eltham, Saturday.**

WAVELEY CITY: Perrie — Storey, Patterson, Dixon, Coulter — Cooper, Willcocks, Drouge — Crompton, Gameras, Grimwade.

The usually difficult task of gaining points at Eltham, made more

arduous by atrocious pitch conditions, was beyond Waverley City at the weekend and the home team took advantage with a 4-2 victory.

Waverley started in the right fashion when Terry Grimwade scored with a fierce shot through a crowded penalty area. However, Eltham revelled in the heavy conditions and equalised through Moulis, who like Grimwade latched on to a loose ball and left little chance for error with a hard drive.

Schipano capitalised on sloppy defensive work to put Eltham into the lead, but worse was to come for Waverley after the interval. Just when the visitors appeared to have gained full control, an own goal gave Eltham a two-goal lead.

Norton cemented the result with a breakthrough goal with Waverley fully committed to attack. Grimwade made the score 4-2 with a penalty kick, a belated reward after two earlier, more blatant late tackles in the penalty area had gone unpunished.

**PORT MELBOURNE 1 (Kourlis 15th) MOOROOLBARK 3 (Cubitt 55th, Black 27th, Tattersall 85th) Victorian Third Division match at Port Melbourne, Saturday.**

PORT MELBOURNE: Pasakos 8, Tantiogianis 5, Jagoudinos 5, Akritidis 5 (sent off 44th), Takanios 6, Doukakis 6 (Liu 52nd).

MOOROOLBARK: Scanlon 7, Pentland 6, D. Reid 6, Van Campbell 6, Brack 6 (Tattersall 60th), Klepac 6, Gurney 7, S. Reid 6 (Mirams 75th), Cubitt 7, Wilczynski 6, Jamieson 7.

7). Kostopoulos 8, Furzer 6 (Bosch 40th), Dentis 7, Diametris 7, Kourlis 6.

These players combined with the current players like Allan Munro and Jim Wylie together with up and coming stars, Paul Beldock, Michael Steenburgh and Paul Newenhausen, have made the club's future look bright.

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# THE PINES CAN DO IT

Frankston Pines has the running power and commitment to send Croydon to its second defeat of the season when they clash at Monterey Reserve on Saturday.

Pines gave Croydon a hell of a battle at Croydon Park earlier this year and although Croydon looks as clear favorite to win its first ever State League championship, I think that Peter Orlerton's lads will lose on Saturday.

Pines striker Stan Webster is in great form and he's the man who can take the heat out of the Croydon defence, even though in Billy Whiteside Croydon has the best goalkeeper in State League at present.

Croydon midfielder Matt McDonald played in the reserves last weekend in his first run for a month. McDonald probably will be on the bench for the Pines game as player-coach Orlerton is unlikely to change the line-up that thumped Northcote last Sunday.

And although Irish import Paul Renshaw has impressed Pines coach Danny McMillan, Pines' striking trio of Webster, Ally Dick and Ray Thomas are likely to start the match against Croydon.

The home side's team manager, Tommy "I am the Pines" Mitchell, is brimful of confidence. Not that he's ever been lacking in that department.

"We'll do Croydon, as long as they don't rough it up like they did last time. We'll finish in the top four for sure, in fact we still think we've a chance for the championship," said Mitchell.

Morwell Falcons will be in a determined mood when they travel to Ross Reserve on Saturday to take on Bobby McLachlan's Springvale City, which won its first home game of the season last weekend.

I'm tipping another upset here and going for a draw which would dent Falcons' title aspirations and give the Vales renewed hope of avoiding the drop.

But McLachlan is well aware of the challenge his players face here. Provided every Springvale player shows the commitment shown against Thomastown last Saturday, Falcons will have a fight on their hands. Falcons are hoping to have recent signing Mick McGorrian back from

suspension, while Springvale could have both Ged Bannon and Jimmy Nelson returning to its starting line-up.

Knox City faces Box Hill at Egan Lee Reserve on Saturday and can take heart from the comments made by Falcons coach Jimmy Dunne after the Latrobe Valley side had beaten Knox 2-0 last weekend.

"I don't think that Knox will go down. Not the way they're playing now. They're a vastly different side to the one we played earlier in the year and you've got to take your hat off to their coach Duncan Smith who has done a fine job with virtually no money to play with," said Dunne.

Maybe so, but I'm tipping a Box Hill win. The Hillmen should have leading scorer Andy Humble back in action. He missed last weekend's win over Western Suburbs through suspension.

St Albans Dinamo may have to settle for a draw against Fawkner at Churchill Reserve on Saturday. Fawkner should have Peter Boyle, Gary Hobson and Fabio Mancinelli back. Boyle and Hobson had been suspended for last weekend's win against Ringwood Wilhelmnia.

The ax will fall on a couple of Thomastown players for Sunday's clash with Northcote at Partridge Reserve. Coach Joe Wilson and team manager Marcelo D'Amico made this quite plain after Thomastown's abysmal showing against Springvale last Saturday.

Nino DiMartino and Paul Di Bernardino are likely to return to the starting line-up while striker Fred Beller may make a surprise return depending on his fitness.

And if Thomastown can't beat the depleted Northcote then the run-in to the end of the season looks extremely bleak. Northcote coach Jimmy Prygolos had used both substitutes against Croydon when Tom Patsakos and George Boziki had to be helped off with injuries late in the game.

Patsakos has a bad ankle while Boziki is troubled by a hamstring complaint. To make matters worse, midfielder Chris Beklaris, who was replaced just before half time by Jimmy Constantino, has a worrying knee injury and also looks to be missing the Thomastown match.

Western Suburbs, despite the absence of top scorer

Bobby McGuinness who was sent off against Box Hill for allegedly using foul and abusive language, should beat Albion Turk Gucu at Ralph Reserve on Sunday. Suburbs were in scintillating form in the first half of the Box Hill match but fell away after the interval. If they can put it together for the full 90 minutes, Albion won't get a look in.

Polonia was trying to determine the extent of star sweeper Stefan Mila's knee injury as we went to press. Mila collapsed in agony in the dressing rooms after Polonia's win over Frankston Pines last Sunday and had to be taken to hospital.

Polonia takes on Ringwood Wilhelmnia at Jubilee Park this Sunday and should win. Wilhelmnia's goalie Stuart Lee transferred to Preston Macedonia after Sunday's match against Fawkner and his place will be taken by former Ethiopian international Lemma Kibret.

Wilhelmnia coach Cor Teeuw will be hoping that he can start the match with two official linesmen this weekend. Against Fawkner, one of the linesmen didn't arrive until half time so a club linesman took over and incensed the Wilhelmnia camp with his display.

"Fawkner's first two goals were two or three yards offside. It was blatant. By the time the official linesman turned up, the damage was done," said Teeuw.

Here are this weekend's games with likely winners in capitals:

**SATURDAY**  
Springvale v Morwell Falcons (draw) at Ross Reserve, 3 pm.

Knox City v BOX HILL at Egan Lee Reserve, 3 pm.

St Albans Dinamo v Fawkner (draw) at Churchill Reserve, 3 pm.

FRANKSTON PINES v Croydon at Monterey Reserve, 3 pm.

**SUNDAY**  
Western Suburbs v Albion Turk Gucu at Ralph Reserve, 3 pm.

Ringwood Wilhelmnia v Polonia at Jubilee Park, 3 pm.

THOMASTOWN v Northcote at Partridge Reserve, 3 pm.

Western Suburbs, despite the absence of top scorer

Skypack State League standings	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
FAIRY MEADOW...	10	2	1	20	7	22
MELITA EAGLES...	8	3	2	29	12	19
KU-RING-GAI...	7	4	2	17	9	18
CANTERBURY...	7	3	3	31	16	17
Sutherland...	6	4	3	24	13	16
Hvale...	5	5	3	17	11	15
Rockdale...	4	5	3	19	12	13
Manly...	3	5	3	12	11	11
Uruguayan...	1	4	7	6	16	6
Narrabeen...	1	3	8	4	29	5
Polonia...	1	2	9	11	33	4
Bankstown...	0	2	9	4	25	2

## TOP SCORERS

9 - Ross Brown (RI), Allan (ME)  
7 - Douin (CM)  
6 - Kirwan, Borges (CM), Walker (ME)  
5 - Sutherland (KI), Gray (SI)  
4 - Anagnostopoulos, Silva (CM), Mowbray, Fontana (FM), Campbell (MW), Janic (PI), Dalfovo, Beggs (SI), O'Shana (U).

**POLONIA 2 (Janic 11th, Pop 60th) SUTHERLAND 2 (Beggs 7th, Dalfovo 85th) at Chopin Park.**

POLONIA: Anderson 8 - Simonescu 7, Vujinovic 8, Lasek 7, Chou 7 - Kodor 7, Sobczyk 7, Mahamah 6 - Bratkovic 8, Pop 7, Janic 8  
SUTHERLAND: Burroughs 7 - Hesford 6, Dalfovo 8, Burrows 7, Sutherland 7 - Tasker 6, Webber 7 (Rogers), Harrington 7, Johnson 6 (Duncan) - Beggs 6, Gray 6

**FAIRY MEADOW 3 (Piel 20th, Fontana 44th, Morland 70th Pen.)**

**SUTHERLAND (Schumann 55th) at Towradgi.**  
FAIRY MEADOW: Young 8 - Chilly 7, Berringer 9, Jones 7 (Sweeney 80th), Morland 8 - Gerardi 7, Piel 7, Richardson 7, Mowbray 7 - Baker 7, Fontana 7 (Fleming 75th).

SUTHERLAND: Burroughs 7 - Hesford 6, Dalfovo 8, Burrows 7, Terry 6 - Webber 6, Schumann 5, Harrington 6, Tasker 5 - Gray 6, Johnson 5

**BANKSTOWN 1 (Hammond 40th) MANLY WARRINGAH 1 (Campbell 9th) at Jensen Park.**

Small checked with his linesman then pointed to the centre spot.

From then on, the locals formed an impenetrable fortress to protect goalie Young. John Fleming was sweeping behind a four man wall, while his three man midfield and two man attack were more than enough to keep the Chasers busy.

In the end Ku-Ring-Gai lost the points with Eilam and Sutherland the only players to come close to shooting at goal during the entire 90 minutes.

**Narrabeen 0 Melita 4**

At Narrabeen: Allan 33rd, 81st, Vial 85th, Fawcett Pen 38th.

Melita is back in the hunt for the title. Following two successive losses, Melita has run up two good wins in the last two weeks to get back among the leading teams. Playing against Narrabeen away from home, Melita scored two goals in each half.

Following a corner kick in the 33rd minute Warren Dolton rose high to head home but his header rebounded off the bar and fell straight back to Don Allan. He calmly pushed it into the net.

Davey Walt gave away an unfortunate penalty in the 38th minute, and Kenny Wilson made no mistake from the penalty goal.

The game slackened and somehow Narrabeen pressed ahead.

In the closing stages Narrabeen almost cut the lead by Melita to one goal, but Dolton waltzed past a few players before crossing for Allan to score. Then Leany Vial scored the last in the last minute of the match, from yet another Dolton cross.

**Bankstown 1 Manly 1**

At Jensen Park: Campbell 9th, Hammond 40th.

Manly has only its strikers to blame for its third draw in a row. Steve Lee and Mark Holloway had ample opportunities to win this match for the Seaside but failed miserably.

From the moment Steve Lee faced Smith in the opening minute of this match it was always going to be one of "those" days for Manly.

Holloway and Lee had another opportunity in the ninth minute but got in each other's way. And while they were searching for an explanation Campbell raced in to score.

Hammond replied for Bankstown after 40 minutes and despite the protests from Manly for offside, Bankstown was awarded a goal.

Manly continued to miss in the second half while Smith braved anything that came his way to earn his side a valuable

**Fairy Meadow 1 Ku-Ring-Gai 0**

At Corral: Baker 60th.

Rumour had it that Ku-Ring-Gai was going to be the first team to toss Fairy Meadow at Corral.

But Ku-Ring-Gai came away from the South Coast empty handed.

Ku-Ring-Gai showed its usual resilience, strength at the back and a lot of fighting spirit, but to no avail, as Baker picked up a Glen Fontana cross in the 60th to score the only goal of the match.

The visitors bitterly opposed the decision by the referee to allow the goal, claiming that

SUTHERLAND: Smith 9 - Hajaj 7, Popovic 8, Nocera 7, Hatten 6 - Apenian 7, Meerbani 7, Hassan 6 - Hammoud 7, Green 6, Lahoud 6  
MANLY: Barker 7 - Gogic 7, J. Dick 8, Pearce 7, J. Barker 7 - Jurgens 6, Etherington 6 (76th Stuart), Campbell 7, Pagano 7 - Leak 5, Holloway 5

**URUGUAYAN 0 ROCKDALE ILINDEN 2 (Brown pen. 21st, 51st) at Mona Park.**

URUGUAYAN: Rozano 7, Jones 6, Planinic 6, Krslovic 6, Follados 7, Estavillo 8, Cuba 6, Rodas 6, Hasty 8, O'Shana 5 (Carizzo), Viti 5 (Menesis).

**ROCKDALE ILINDEN:** Kozichambros 7 - Blackburn 7, Pilovski 9, Forester 8, Peleganos 7 - Papas 7, Slavski 7, Mickoski 6 (D. Wilson 76th) - Risteovski 7, Brown 8, Trajanovski 8

**NARRABEEN 0 MELITA EAGLES 4 (Allan 33rd, 81st, Wilson pen. 38th, Vial 85th) at Narrabeen Sports Centre.**

NARRABEEN: P. Dean 6 - Hanley 7, Watt 6, Friend 6, Parfitt 7 - Griffin 5, Collings 5, Jones 5, A. Dean 8 - Pepper 6, Hughes 6  
MELITA EAGLES: Muller 7 (Pupovac 80th) - R. McPherson 8, Wilson 7, McCoy 8, O'Rourke 7 - McAustand 6, Farrugia 8, Laing 8, Dalton 8 - Allan 8, Vial 9

**FAIRY MEADOW 1 (Baker 60th) KU-RING-GAI 0 at Memorial Park, Corral.**

FAIRY MEADOW: Young 7 - Fleming 7 - Chilly 7, Jones 6, Berringer 7, Morland 8 - Piel 6, Gerardi 7, Richardson 9, Baker 8, Fontana 7

KU-RING-GAI: Lacey 8 - Kevern 7, Bertram 6, Watson 7, Goldsworthy 7 - Quigley 6, Eilam 7 (66th Bennett), Sutherland 6, Brockbank 6 - McKegan 5 (N. Williamson 60th - 7), Bass 6

**AVALA 0 CANTERBURY 2 (Borges 33rd, 55th) at Arlington.**

AVALA: Thurlow 8 - Jordan 6, Lembyk 7, Divani 7, Pratt 6 - Coates 6 (Anderson 75th), Attagic 6 (Lucchesi 46th), Tracey 7 - Murray 5, Jeffery 5, Canney 7

CANTERBURY: Hummel 8 - Karaspiros 7, Radman 8, Pena 7, Hantzis 7 - Ortega 8, Kirwan 7, Anagnostopoulos 7 - Silva 8, Borges 8, Basaterfield 7 (69th Horzabail).

**THIS WEEK'S GAMES**  
Saturday: Sutherland v Avala at Seymour Show Park.  
Sunday: Rockdale Ilinden v Fairy Meadow at Hurstville Oval; Ku-Ring-Gai v Manly Warringah at Parklands Oval; Canterbury-Melickville Olympic v Uruguayan at Arlington Oval; Melita Eagles v Polonia at Melita Stadium; Narrabeen v Bankstown at Narrabeen Fitness Centre.

Then came a piece of magic by Micky Bratkovic and Polonia was on even terms. His chip put Stefan Janic through to face Burroughs. The finishing by Janic was superb and Polonia was back in this match.

Bratkovic was again the hero for the locals as he threatened his through ball for Andrej Pop to perfection. Burroughs was beaten for the second time.

Sutherland dominated towards the end but Polonia, with Steve Anderson and Grujo Vujinovic looking good, held out until the dying seconds when Dalfovo netted.

**Generous Boniek**  
Zbigniew Boniek, who is leaving Juventus, donated his 40,000 European Cup Final win bonus to the Brussels disaster appeal fund.

Michael Rummenigge, 21, younger brother of Karl Heinz, is set to join Hamburg from Bayern Munich.

IFC Saarbrücken beat Arminia Bielefeld 3-1 on aggregate in the promotion - relegation play - off to earn a place in next season's Bundesliga Division One.

West German international striker Uwe Renshaw has moved from Werder Bremen to French League Champions Bordeaux.

The six English clubs based from the 1985-86 European competitions (Liverpool, Manchester United, Norwich City, Everton, Southampton and Tottenham Hotspur) are planning a tournament amongst themselves, with a possible Wembley final.

Real Madrid has signed Spanish international defender Antonio Maceda from Sporting Gijon.

Bob Houghton, the Englishman who coached Melita's 1979 European Champions' Cup Final team, has joined Al Ittihad of Saudi Arabia.

England striker Gary Lineker has agreed to join Everton from Leicester City.

Former Scottish senior team captain Martin Buchan has been appointed manager at Burnley, who were relegated into the English Fourth Division recently.

Bordeaux have failed in their attempts to sign Eire international striker Frank Stapleton. He will stay at Manchester United.

Dynamo Klav won the Russian Cup by defeating Shakhtyor Donetsk 2 - 1 in

# DREAM TEAM

Alb. Turk Gucu 0 St Alb Dinamo 2

Scorers: Bruno 5th, Batovic 79th.

Vanous: Salwyn Park.

Anyone seeking reasons for the decline in attendances at State League games need look no further than the clash between these two sides on Saturday.

Here were two clubs with big aspirations and members digging deep into their pockets to provide facilities and clubrooms and all the associated expenses of running a semi-professional soccer team.

Both can claim to have worked hard enough for that with Dinamo erecting a barn-like hall which ought to raise thousands of dollars once it's completely finished at Churchill Reserve.

With Albion, the Turkish Cypriot community has been buzzing, reviving a fully fledged club which was severely on the decline.

Having done all that, most would expect to get something in return from the players they pamper and organise all sorts of fund raising activities to make sure they get the wages stipulated in their contracts. No doubt haggled over with the guild of superstars.

After seeing their performance on Saturday one wonders if any of them will have the audacity to ask for their pay envelopes this week.

Maybe I'm becoming cynical from watching too much soccer but rarely have I felt so disappointed at having to sit through 90 minutes of boredom.

I dare say that if I had had to pay \$3 instead of using my prepay to get in, I would be doing my damndest to get my money back.

Maybe there were reasons behind the poor display. You'd have to go a long way to find a poorer surface in State League

By PETER DESIRA

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# Watch out for Canterbury!

NSW State League with ALEX VESIC

Uruguayan 0 Rockdale 2

At Mona Park: Brown 21st (Piel, 51st).

Ross Brown became the top scorer in the NSW Skypack State League after adding two goals which were sufficient to sink Uruguayan at Mona Park. Jones handled after 21 minutes and Brown made no mistake from the penalty spot then scored another penalty six minutes into the second half to revive hopes of a play-off spot for last year's champion side.

Billy Pilovski and Brown were the stars for the winner, while Julio Estavillo had a fine game for the loser.

**Fairy Meadow 3 Sutherland 1**

At Towradgi: Scorers: Piel 20th, Fontana 44th, Morland 70th Pen (FM), Schumann 55th (SI).

Fairy Meadow's incredible run continued when it demolished Sutherland on Wednesday night.

The locals dominated proceedings and led 2-0 at half time with goals by Richard Piel and Glen Fontana. Had Lady Luck been on Fairy Meadow's side the scoreline would have looked far worse for the visitors. Craig Burroughs was a relieved man as the ball struck the woodwork twice.

Sutherland came back through a scrambling goal which was credited to Keith Schumann. Following a free kick by Schumann in the 55th, the ball took a deflection before beating Young.

But the locals were not to be denied and restored their two goal advantage through a penalty by Jack Morland.

In the closing stages, Sutherland applied the pressure but the backbone of Fairy Meadow with Warwick Young and Larry Berringer in tremendous form, stood firm.

Jones and Fontana were injured late in the match and were replaced by Mark Sweeney and John Fleming.

**Polonia 2 Sutherland 2**

At Chopin Park: Scorers: Janic 11th, Pop 60th (PI), Beggs 7th, Dalfovo 85th (SI).

Sutherland left Chopin Park with a point after a goalmouth scramble in the dying stages provided Dalfovo with an easy goal from close range.

The home team was expected to toil in vain against the Sharks and after the opening 20 minutes all indications were that Sutherland was going to do it easy. Beggs scored following a corner kick in the seventh and the light blues looked



# Perry recalls the good old days, in U.K. and Oz

From MIKE RENWICK

Most football fanatics would remember or at least heard of the great "Coronation Cup" Final in 1953.

That was the year the ageing Stanley Matthews again appeared in an FA Cup final and it was mooted as his last chance to gain an elusive winner's medal.

Well, Matthews got his medal that year, as Blackpool snatched victory from Bolton 4-3.

Nearly everyone remembers that, and the fact that great centre forward Stan Mortensen scored three times, and that Matthews himself provided the cross that resulted in the winner.

But can you remember the man who scored the winner? It was Bill Perry, the Blackpool left winger.

Just over 10 years later, Perry spent a year in Australia, playing with South Coast United, then under the control of Jimmy Kelly.

"I had a fine year in Australia," Perry said, casting his mind back.

"It's been a long time since I've been in contact with any friends with in Australia."

Perry, now 55, admits he went to Australia in "the twilight of my career".

"I left Blackpool in about 1963, then went to Hereford for two seasons or so."

"Then I bumped into Jim (Kelly) when he was back here on a holiday from Australia," he said.

"We knew each other from way back, and I offered him a lift to the match at Hereford, where I was playing."

"And all the way there, he was saying what a great place Australia was and how football was on the way up and how the standard of living was so good."

Perry said that Kelly went back to Australia, but the spell stuck in his mind.

"Soon after that I got a call from Jim and in 1966 I went to South Coast."

Perry admits that South Coast's star already was waning when he arrived, but there still was pride associated with the club and opponents still feared "Kelly's Gang".

"Why did I go out there?"

"Well, the reasons are varied, but I was near the end of my career and I figured that it was something I probably would never be able to do again, so I went."

Perry was born in South Africa and went to England as a 19-year-old after being offered an apprenticeship with Blackpool.

"Their talent scout system was pretty extensive in those days — not just in Britain, but all over the world, and they were told of me," he said.

"I played with them for quite a few years — up to the early sixties — and appeared in two FA Cup finals."

"We lost to Newcastle 2-0 if I remember in 1950."

"That was a black day for me — for all of us."

"But we made up for it — and for Stanley — in '53."

Perry also won three caps for his country, against Northern Ireland, Scotland and Spain, in 1956.

"One of the things I will always remember about Australia was how strikingly similar to South Africa it looked," he said.

"And people were also very much the same."

"Not as formal as the British... more relaxed."

"I liked that... mites if even, sometimes."

Perry said he finished his football in Australia, for when he came back to Britain he retired.

"As you can imagine, being a professional footballer throughout my youth I didn't have the chance to learn a trade, but I was luckier than most," he admitted.

Friends and acquaintances say that Perry was too dynamic to be left behind after his football days.

He started up a small printing business, specialising in laminations.

Now he produces hundreds of thousands of souvenir match boxes, gaily decorated with pictures of Buckingham Palace, Grenadier Guards and other tourist attractions.

As we talked it was obvious that the memory banks were being jogged and gradually memories of his period in Australia came flooding back.

"I remember that I was quite surprised by the standard of football when I went back in 1966," he said.

Back, because in 1958 he had toured Australia with the great Blackpool side.

"I remember the Australian soccer authorities desperately wanted Stanley (Matthews) to go and play in Australia," Perry said.

"Stanley wasn't too keen on the idea, but Blackpool also got an invite and the matter was settled — we all went!"

"We played all over the country on that tour — from Perth to Newcastle and Melbourne."

"It was a real adventure for most of us, and also for Stan!"

Perry said that in 1958 the football being played by the Australians was "very amateurish".

"It was the sort of stuff you saw on the local park back in England," he said.

"That's why on the way out to Australia in 1966 — it took me three days and two nights by air — I thought: 'My God, what have I done?'"

"But the first week I saw a huge difference, and I must say that I had some very satisfying encounters."

"I remember particularly our games against APIA."

"Jim used to stalk around the dressing room before matches against them saying things like: 'Come on lads, these are the guys we've really got to beat!' and all sorts of real 'Boys Own' things."

"He was quite, well, obsessed isn't the right word for it, but when it came to APIA he really wanted to win badly."

Perry said he often thought about going back to Australia for a holiday.

"I often bump into Jim (who is also back in Blackpool), and another former Blackpool team mate, Cyril Robinson."

"Cyril played in the 1953 Cup Final as well — he went to Australia and played in Adelaide and Newcastle."

"Whenever we meet we talk about the old times — and that inevitably means Australia as well."

"I'd love to get in contact with any of the old teammates who are still around."

"Perhaps one day I will get back to Australia."

"At least the plane flight isn't as long anymore!"



The great Sir Stanley Matthews is led on to the field by a piper for his farewell match, as players of Stoke City, the club where Matthews began his career, applaud.

## Let's face it — the media want only our blood

There is something strange in the Australian psyche.

We can live through real hardships; we can lose some terrible battles and turn them into national holy days.

We can conquer heavy odds in sport, produce champions despite the system and show compassion for the unlucky but game loser.

The only thing we cannot do is forgive success.

Following the recent international tournament I expected an avalanche of kudos and praise to be lavished on the team and coach Frank Ark.

With my customary shyness I stood back to let my younger colleagues compose their hymns and odes to the champions.

They did, after all, win a tournament which included top Brazilian team Vasco de Gama, the famed English Tottenham and Italian first division professionals Udinese.

Sure, they all missed some of their stars but that's scant excuse at that level of professionalism.

And the huge prize money was sufficient guarantee that all four teams took their matches seriously rather than treating it as a picnic.

So the Socceroos won the tournament in which, at the start, they must have been rank outsiders. If you had asked 50 fans where the Socceroos would finish up, 40 would have said last and the other 10 hopeless optimists would have said third, possibly second.

But there was absolutely no reason, no justification to expect them to reach the final — and win the thing, as they actually did.

With the honorable exception of the soccer press and another story here and there, the Australian media treated the tournament success as an embarrassment.

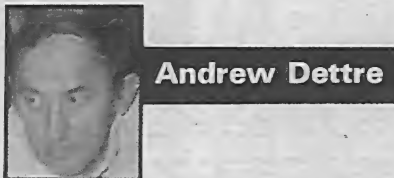
They were ready to find 100 story angles for the team that failed — but were thoroughly unprepared for the team that made it.

Even in the 1960s it was a different matter. Any — well, almost any — visiting team from Europe could come here and whack the baggy pants off our sides.

But no more — and the machistic Australian psyche just can't accept this.

Some 20 years ago — had we lost an easy 6-0 or so to Tottenham and Vasco — dozens of people would have rushed to Frank Ark to console him.

But how can you console a man who has just won a tournament?



Andrew Dettre

I know, of course, that this is not quite the yardstick by which Ark and his men will be judged. Not even in the outcome of the next international series in August.

The only thing that will count this year will be the World Cup elimination games.

If the Socceroos falter against Israel and New Zealand and fail to win their group, the team will be rapidly disbanded. Ark probably will resign and West Nally will lick its financial wounds for some time to come.

On the other hand, they win the group and come face to face with a European team for the Mexican berth, the Socceroos will have accomplished all that's been expected of them.

Which doesn't say that they have to surrender all hope of beating their European opponents — probably Spain or Scotland.

Remember: in 1983, at the World Youth Cup in Mexico, we did beat Scotland — which was the reigning European champion.

The odds then, like now, were heavily against Australia; and that's how Australian teams like it.

I just wonder what the reaction would be if we did make it to Mexico; would the media forgive Ark for the success?

When you're mentally geared for failure, it's difficult to change gears.

As I said, there is something really odd in the Australian character. I hope it will be tested by the Socceroos towards the end of the year.

I am always amused when I read the drab, routine, after-match comments of coaches in the dailies, as they say: "We played well but couldn't score." British coaches use another cliché: "Couldn't put the ball in the back of the net."

What do they really mean? What's in their minds as they stand there in the dressing room, sopping wet, being quizzed by reporters with notepad at the ready?

How could they have "played well" and failed to score? Playing well in soccer means scoring and usually winning. Teams which lose week after week because they cannot score are not playing well; they are poorly equipped in the most important aspect of the game.

It's like saying that somebody is a brilliant pianist except for the fact he is tone deaf. A minor handicap.

## Is it Makedonia next for Ian Roodhouse?

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Ian Roodhouse turned down the chance to join Preston Makedonia last week but he could be heading in its direction next season.

The 21 year old defender arrived back last week from a five month holiday in the U.K. where he trained for a fortnight with Crystal Palace and trained and played with Dundee. He was at Dundee only for a week but played in midfield in the reserves match between Dundee and Dumbarton. Dundee won 2-1.

"Preston's season is almost over and it would have taken a few weeks to get my fitness level up to National League standards," said Roodhouse.

"I've decided to play out the season with Box Hill but I'm pretty definite about joining the National League a try next year."

Makedonia coach Billy Murray is well aware of Roodhouse's qualities, having coached him at Box Hill. "I'd like to play under Billy again but I'll try my best for whoever I play for. I always have done."

Roodhouse first trained with Palace when he was 16. He spent three months with the English club but the lifestyle and the attitude of some players wasn't to his liking.

"It's just not the way I want to live. A lot of the players are pretty immature if you want to know the truth. They're pretty cocky and confident, but I guess they have to be. There are plenty others waiting to get a chance of breaking into professional football."

But Roodhouse has some heartening comments to make for those intending to have a crack at breaking into U.K. football. "There are players here who could make it at club level over there. I'm sure of that. Certainly, in the reserves at Dundee anyway. I never felt out of my depth. Technically, a lot of players over there are no better than some of the



Flashback to 1983. Ian Roodhouse, back row, second from right, lines up before the 1983 Dockerty Cup final, won by Melbourne Croatia. Back row: Keith Webster (the current Box Hill coach), Ray Tolmie, Donovan Lawler, John McKinley, John Scholten, Donald Brownie, Paul Priestly, Ian Roodhouse, Bill Murray. Front row: Alan Roodhouse, Peter Hughes, Matt McDonald, Dave Azopardi, Andy Hughes, Peter Verechie, Richard Miranda. Picture: LES SHORROCK.

work on my fitness to play in the (Dundee) senior team."

Scotland increasingly looks like finishing second in its World Cup qualifying group, which means that should Australia win the Oceania qualifying series, it would have to face the Scots on a home and away basis to get to Mexico for the finals.

"Scotland probably would win from what little I've seen of them. You have to understand that the cream of our players could play at club level over there but their national team is the cream of their club players which is a step higher again. I understand that Australia has had good recent results, beating Tottenham, Udinese and Vasco de Gama, but I think that Scotland will have too much experience for us," said Roodhouse.

So it's back to State League for the young defender, described a couple of years ago by Billy Murray as "one of the finest full backs in Victorian

## Stein has spies in Australia

From MIKE RENWICK



Jock Stein

There is a spy in Australian soccer.

That spy is feeding Scotland manager Jock Stein with information about the Socceroo squad.

Stein admitted that he was being "kept up to date" on the Australian scene, and received reports and even video-tapes from Australia.

"As you know there are a lot of Scottish players and coaches in Australia, and I keep in touch with the number of people," he said.

But Stein said there was no full-scale campaign to get detailed analysis of each and every Socceroo.

Yet he hinted he had seen tapes of the Australian team's performances during the recent international series.

"The victories were very impressive," he said.

"Australia seems to have got its act together and is a very tight combative unit."

Nevertheless, Stein said he would "lose no sleep" over the prospect of having to face Australia in a play-off for a place in Mexico.

"Let's be realistic about it," he said.

"Okay, we would have to travel a long way to play you in Australia, but our club sides have been doing that for years and I myself led Celtic to Australia in 1977."

"So we know what to expect and how to prepare."

"You on the other hand would have to come to Scotland and face us at home."

"I know there are those who would rely on us being complacent, but I can assure you that would not be allowed to happen."

As a result of Spain's victory against Iceland earlier this month, it now is likely that either Scotland or Wales will finish runner-up in their Group behind Spain.

That will be decided on September 10 when Scotland travels to Wales.

"All of our efforts are being concentrated on that game at the present," Stein said.

But he conceded that he was looking ahead.

He said he knew "a little, but enough" about New Zealand, while as for Israel, it regularly was involved in friendly matches against European nations and clubs and a large dossier on it was available.

"They are technically not as good as a lot of people make out," he said.

"Sure, they have lovely ball skills, but their tactics often fall apart and they are not as disciplined as one would expect."

They will pose problems to Australia, but then again, the Australian style of play will pose problems to Israel."

Stein said he would "look forward with relish" to a World Cup play-off between Scotland and Australia.

## Scots, Spaniards not unbeatable

From page one

McAdam is 33 but is confident of playing for at least another three years. He's never been a drinker or smoker, and works as a physical education teacher.

Fifteen years in top-level Scottish soccer as a striker, centre back or full back makes him the ideal player to lift Adelaide Juventus up the NSL ladder — perhaps into the finals.

He started as a junior with Dumbarton, and after four years, moved to Motherwell where he spent three seasons. Then came two years with Partick Thistle and five and a half years with Rangers.

The two highlights of his career were winning the League Cup in the 1983/84 final against Celtic and the Scottish FA Cup in the 1980/81 final against Dundee United.

McAdam has come here on an 18-month temporary visa, with his wife and three children.

For those wondering about the 1985/86 Scottish season, he says: "Aberdeen will win everything, especially now that they've bought Jim Bell."

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# LAMOND IS OVERRATED

St. George 1  
Canberra 1

Scores: Dunn (C) 27 min.,  
Ratcliffe (St. George) 42 min.

Venue: St. George Stadium.  
Crowd: About 500.

Cautions: Skeen, Ratcliffe,  
Cotton (all St. George),  
Bourke, Bryant (Canberra).

Referee: D. Monteverde  
(Gld).

The one point each team gained after this encounter seems an excessive reward for their efforts — a point deduction would have been more appropriate.

Of all the poor and mediocre games I've seen this season, this takes the cake.

It would be interesting to ask the 22 players what excuse, if any, they would offer for this pathetic "display" — in perfect weather, on a perfect ground.

Canberra took the lead after 27 minutes when Dunn volleyed home Byrnes passed header in the goalmouth. The hesitation of Koczka and Greedy helped in a generous measure.

The Saints equalised in the 42nd minute when Cotton's cross from the left was squeezed home through a Ratcliffe header.

And these were the highlights. Most of the second half was played without tension, pressure and joy in a funeral atmosphere.

Nine minutes from the end Petkovski's close shot was saved by Franken and a



Andrew Dettre

Man of the match:  
**TOM SERMANNI**  
(Canberra)

minute later Lamond's sprint ended with a haphazard shot missing by some 10 metres.

The highly publicised Manis Lamond showed speed and some skills — but he is a long way from the stardom some people have prematurely bestowed upon him.

Both teams found it difficult to string together three successive passes; Saints David Skeen established some sort of a negative record by giving away 90 percent of his balls.

This type of soccer is certain to chase away even the remaining few spectators — nothing surer than that.

Better matches can be seen, gratis, by pick-up sides in Centennial Park.

What I cannot understand is this: if these players don't get any fun out of the game — why do they play it?

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Argentina became the sixth country to qualify for the 1986 World Cup finals when a late equaliser laid on by defender Daniel Passarella gave it a 2-2 draw with Peru last weekend in Buenos Aires.

Passarella's shot beat goalkeeper Eusebio Acasuzo but the ball hit the far post and bounced agonisingly in the goal line before substitute Ricardo Garcia ran it into the net to shatter Peru's dreams of an upset victory.

Peru, which had to win to qualify directly for the finals, was leading 2-1 after 39 minutes and appeared on its way to a memorable victory until Argentina's 80th minute equaliser.

Peru made a desperate bid to regain the lead but could not beat goalkeeper Ubaldo Fillol despite two good chances.

Striker Pedro Pasculli gave Argentina the lead in the 12th

minute from a brilliant pass by star midfielder Diego Maradona, who has shaken off his marker Luis Reyna.

But Peru counter-attacked dangerously. Jose Velazquez netted a 23rd minute equaliser and Julio Cesar Cusi added another goal in the 39th minute to shock the 70,000 capacity crowd.

When Argentina took the field at the River Plate Stadium the fans gave it the same ticker-tape welcome they had made famous during the 1978 World Cup finals.

The fans were not prepared to consider the possibility of a Peruvian victory — the visitors were confident they could pull it off after beating Argentina in Lima the previous week.

They had also been offered \$US9,500 (\$A14,328) a man by the Peruvian Football Federation if they won.

Argentina joins Uruguay and Brazil as South American qualifiers for next year's finals in Mexico.

Peru, as runner-up in group one, will get a second shot when it goes into play-offs

later this year for a more place for a South American team.

The other qualifiers for the play-offs are Chile, Paraguay and Colombia.

Teams:  
**ARGENTINA:** Fillol; Camino (Garcia), Trossero, Passarella, Garro; Giusti, Barbas (Trobiano), Burroughs; Pasculli, Maradona, Valdano.  
**PERU:** Acasuzo; Rojas, Dias, Olachea, Gastulo; Velazquez, Reyna (Chirinos), Cueto; Barbalid, Navarro (Unib), Obitas.

In BOGOTA, Colombia beat Venezuela 2-0 (half-time 2-0) in the last South American group one qualifying match.

Scorers: Manuel Acisclo Cordoba (14th minute), Hernan Dario Herrera (27th, penalty). Attendance: 10,000.

In SAO PAULO, Brazil and Bolivia drew 1-1 (half-time 1-0) in a South American group three qualifying match last weekend.

Scorers: Brazil - Careca (18th minute); Bolivia - Sanchez (74th). Attendance: 94,500.

# HIGH COURT UPHOLDS BAN

The Football Association's ban on English clubs playing in Europe in the wake of the Brussels tragedy was upheld by a High Court judge last week.

Mr Justice Vinelott rules that the FA had the right to withhold the entry of clubs from next season's European competitions "in the interests of the game and its future".

Every Englishman who witnessed the "shocking and tragic" events at the European Cup Final in May, when 39 died

in a crowd riot, would have felt shame, said the judge.

Four clubs — Everton, Manchester United, Southampton and Norwich — together with the Professional Footballers' Association, had asked the judge to make an order requiring the FA to nominate them for European competitions next season.

They sought further temporary orders requiring UEFA, soccer's European governing body, and the world body, FIFA, to lift their bans on English clubs.

The clubs' application was urgent because the deadline for nominations was last

Sunday and the UEFA draw for next season's competitions takes place tomorrow (Thursday).

But the clubs fell at the first hurdle when they failed to persuade the judge that the FA had acted unlawfully.

Mr Justice Vinelott ruled that the clubs had no automatic right of entry into Europe via the FA's nominations.

Even if they had established a right of entry, the court would not have granted the orders they sought, he said.

One reason was that UEFA and FIFA would have ignored such orders as being made by a court which had no power over them because they were outside its jurisdiction.

# Yugoslav title to Sarajevo

Sarajevo won the First Division title for the second time in its history and will represent Yugoslavia in the European Champions' Cup next season.

Radnicki Nis and Iskra Bugojno were relegated.

Red Star Belgrade, which won the Yugoslav Cup in May, will play in the European Cup Winners' Cup.

Hajduk Split, Partizan Belgrade and Vardar Skopje will represent Yugoslavia in the UEFA Cup next season.

Results of last weekend's final league round: Sarajevo 2 Red Star Belgrade 1, Hajduk Split 2 Dinamo Zagreb 1, Partizan Belgrade 1, Zvezdarnik Sarajevo 0, Mostar 2, Vardar Skopje 2, Celik 2 Rijeka 2, Radnicki Nis 1 Sutjeska Niksic 1, Pristina 3 Dinamo Vinkovci 1, Buducnost Titograd 0 Sloboda Tuzla 0, Vojvodina Novi Sad 1 Iskra Bugojno 3.

Final standings:

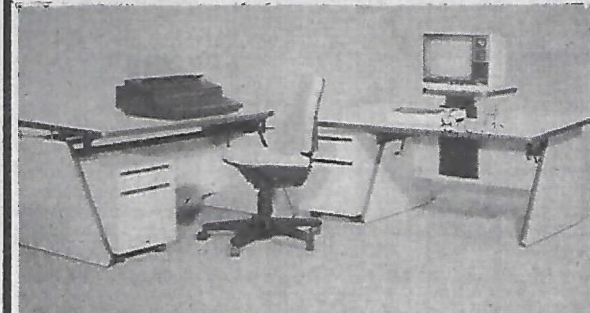
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Sarajevo	10	11	6	51	30	48
Dinamo	12	8	8	45	42	44
Partizan	14	10	8	48	34	38
Red Star	16	8	6	43	38	38
Iskra	15	12	6	47	31	37
Dinamo Zag	14	8	12	47	38	36
Zvezdarnik	11	12	11	43	44	34
Rijeka	12	10	12	48	44	34
Mostar	11	12	11	41	42	33
Pristina	13	8	15	44	40	32
Vaher	10	12	12	39	44	32
Iskra	12	7	15	38	31	31
Sloboda	10	11	13	28	31	31
Dinamo Vink	11	8	16	40	51	30
Buducnost	11	8	15	31	48	30
Vojvodina	8	11	14	38	47	29
Iskra	8	11	15	32	60	27
Radnicki	8	11	15	26	48	27

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perazione potrebbe rendere possibile la conquista di qualche punto in questi due difficili incontri.

Quindi lo spauracchio della retrocessione non dovrebbe fare molto paura agli uomini del presidente Berlusconi, per una squadra gloriosa come l'APIA il solo fatto di essere in zona retrocessione rappresenta una situazione imbarazzante e quasi vergognosa, giustificata solo parzialmente da una lunga serie di infortuni che ha messo fuori causa alcuni dei suoi uomini migliori per lunghi periodi.

Nel girone Sud la Juventus ha battuto il Brisbane Lions 2-1 ed ha così conservato il primato in classifica con un punto di distacco dall'Hellas che ha battuto con lo stesso punteggio l'Adelaide City Juventus.

Le due Juventus si incontreranno domenica prossima ad Adelaide per il secondo derby stagionale; il primo era stato vinto dalla Juventus di Melbourne con tre reti di Zini.

La vittoria degli uomini di Margaritis sul Lions e' stata relativamente facile, considerando che l'espulsione di Incantupo li ha lasciati in dieci per tutto il secondo tempo; qualche candellina sarebbe anche il caso di accenderla a San Banovic che ancora una volta ha salvato la sua rete con alcuni miracolosi interventi.

Naturalmente da questi risultati scaturiscono anche una certa tranquillita' per il Monaro ai fini della retrocessione e una certa preoccupazione per l'APIA che rimane ad una sola lunghezza di vantaggio dalla coppia di fondo classifica: Newcastle a Wollongong.

Il prossimo turno dovrebbe vedere una ulteriore schiarita per tutte e due le squadre: il Monaro ospiterà il Penrith che lo segue a due lunghezze e una vittoria degli uomini di Macaroni vedrebbe la matricola della Lega Nazionale ad una posizione di maggior sicurezza, non solo, ma se i pronostici andranno rispettati e Blacktown a Canberra cederanno rispettivamente al St. George e al Crocetta, il Monaro si troverebbe a soli due punti dalla quinta poltrona: un traguardo al quale l'italiana di Canberra potrebbe anche sperare dopo le brillanti recenti prestazioni.

Per l'APIA il prossimo turno sarà determinante; una vittoria sul Newcastle le darebbe tre punti di distacco dai due fanalini di coda (l'altro, il Wollongong, ospiterà il Marconi e sicuramente rimarrà a bocca asciutta), una sconfitta, invece, renderebbe la sua posizione molto difficile.

Naturalmente a favore dell'APIA bisogna anche considerare le due partite di recupero che deve giocare, anche se le avversarie rispondono al nome di Sydney City e St. George, la forza della dis-

giocatori dovrebbe portare ad una diversa tattica di rifornimento dal centrocampo; mentre per il forte scozzese vanno benissimo i traversoni e le pale alte, per il veloce ragazzo italiano si dovrà puntare di più sulle pale lunghe in corridoio o sopra la testa dei difensori per permettergli di mettere a buon uso il suo sprint.

E veniamo all'incidente che ha causato l'espulsione di Incantupo, che era partito come titolare una delle poche volte questa stagione, non stava disputando una grande gara anche perché raramente veniva servito dai compagni e non riusciva a inserirsi nella zona di maggiori operazioni relegato con era sulla fascia laterale e piuttosto arretrato.

Ovvio che il ragazzo, già eroe della nazionale giovanile in due finali della Coppa del Mondo Juniores e "coccodrillo" della tifoseria juventina da molti anni, non riesce ad accettare la sua attuale posizione di "seconda scelta", di riserva di lusso, ovviamente, dopo una stagione a riposo a causa di un incidente e con alcune mezze partite fatte quest'anno, la sua condizione non può essere delle migliori e il suo fiuto della rete e' anche scaduto a causa della lunga inattività.

Le sue condizioni di spirito debbono perciò essere molto precarie per cui e' smanioso di strafare nelle poche occasioni che gli si presentano sotto portiere per cercare il successo che gli ridia morale e favore dei tecnici e del pubblico.

Domenica ha appunto insistito troppo a lungo nel cercare di aggirare avversari per portarsi in posizione di tiro, invece di allungare all'indietro allo smarcato Mirandea e finendo per perdere la palla che, a causa di un rimbalzo, finiva a Miranda quando ormai era marcato da un avversario e andava fuori.

Nel calore del momento Miranda rimproverava Incantupo, minacciandolo addirittura di farlo sostituire dalla panchina; nello stato d'animo in cui si trova per i motivi che abbiamo prima descritti, Fabio ha risposto al compagno di squadra con una fiutata di paroleacce puntate sull'espulsione, ovviamente fuori dai gangheri per essere "cornuto e mazzinato". Fabio si e' tolto i lacci dei calzetti prima di uscire dal campo e li ha battuti a terra con zinnia e poi si e' avviato direttamente negli spogliatoi gridando qualcosa all'indirizzo della panchina.

La prima reazione al comportamento di Fabio non può essere che di condanna, non vi e' dubbio. Ma, considerando la

su situazione di frustrazione e umiliazione, invece di condannare probabilmente egli meriterebbe più comprensione, sia dai compagni di squadra, che dai tecnici, dai dirigenti e dal pubblico.

E' difficile per chiunque diversi accontentarsi di un ruolo secondario dopo essere stato un protagonista, e' difficile per un giocatore riacquistare la forma ed il favore se le sue apparenze in squadra sono saltuarie e parziali; e' difficile per un calciatore non mettersi in mente che e' invaso all'allenatore ed ai compagni di squadra; diventa insopportabile essere rimproverato da un compagno di squadra.

Senza voler compromettere la disciplina che e' la base essenziale di qualsiasi squadra, noi siamo dell'avviso che Margaritis e Caruso (oltre ai dirigenti) dovrebbero considerare il caso di Incantupo non alla stregua dell'espulsione di domenica, ma tenendo conto della situazione particolare del ragazzo e delle cause che hanno portato alla carica nervosa che lo ha fatto esplodere.

E' ovvio che alla Juventus l'atmosfera e' molto tesa; essere in cima alla classifica e "dover vincere" a tutti i costi domenica dopo domenica diventa una enorme pressione e l'atmosfera si fa elettrica; almeno per i giocatori che sono "intoccabili", non vi e' tolleranza stillicidio di mantenere o conquistare il posto in squadra.

Il momento e' delicato e richiede massima attenzione da parte di tutti i responsabili. Ed un giocatore che sta giù di corda e di morale ha diritto a comprensione, invece che punizioni, specialmente se si tratta di un ragazzo come Fabio Incantupo che ha rivestito la maglia bianconera tutta la sua vita di giocatore (oltre dieci anni), e che e' stato "fedele" anche nei momenti duri in cui tutti i topi abbandonavano la barca che sembrava stesse affondando.

# LEGA STATALE

Il Fawken, come avevamo predetto, sembra aver superato il momento difficile che ha attraversato recentemente e a inconfutabile dimostrazione ha riportato la prima vittoria in quattro mesi.

D'accordo che l'avversario di turno era il modesto Ringwood, ma bisogna anche tener presente che Carrassi ha dovuto rivoluzionare la sua squadra a causa delle assenze di Angeli, Mancinelli (squalificati), Hobson e Boyle (malati) e che il Fawken si e' trovato in svantaggio dopo solo tre minuti di gioco.

Il 4-2 finale e' perciò abbastanza eloquente nonostante la mediocrità del Ringwood e fa ben sperare per i prossimi incontri.



# TA NEA TON OMAΔΩN MAΣ APO TO ΣHMEIO TOY ΠENALTU



by  
Manos  
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## Ο ΑΓΩΝΙΣΜΟΣ ΣΥΛΛΟΓΙΣΤΕΙ

Ο Τζιμς "Αλέξιος" ο πρώην παίκτης της "Ελλάς" που τώρα διαπρέπει με τον Απδλ-λυν Αθηνών, ευχαριστεί τόσο την Αλέξαν-δρο, όσο και τον πρόεδρο του "Ολυμπικ" τον Σίβου που έδειξαν ενδιαφέρον για να τον φέρουν για "γκέστ" παίκτη.

Ο "Αλέξιος" αυτές τις μέρες παραθερί-ζει στην δημοφιλή Μόνο από όπου έσ-τειλε μία κάρτα με την οποία στέλνει τους θερμούς του χαιρετισμούς σε όλους τους Έλληνες φιλάθλους.

## ΤΕΡΜΑ ΤΟ ΘΕΜΑ ΜΠΕΤΑ

Εμφανισμός με τον παρόντα της "Ελλάς" κ. Πιέρ Πάλα, το θέμα Μήτσος σταμάτησε γιατί ο παίκτης πρόκειται να κάνει εγ-χείρηση στο πόδι του, οπότε θα γίνει οποιαδήποτε ενέργεια θα είναι πλέον για να εξασφαλιστεί ο παίκτης για την νέα σεζόν.

## ΠΡΟΒΛΗΤΕΣ - ΠΕΡΙΣΤΑΝΤΕΣ: ΤΑ ΤΡΙΑ... 5

Όσο αγωνίστηκε ο διεθνής πρόβαν στο "Ελνέου" Ολυμπικ έφερε όχι μόνο την "Α-νοϊζή" αλλά σε 5 αγώνες σημείωσε 5 γκολ και η ελληνική ομάδα πήρε 5 νίκες.

Στην επιτυχία αυτή δεν είναι άμεσος ο ρόλος του προέδρου των κυανόλευκων Σίμ Πεντιέ λης που με δικές του ενέργειες κλείστη με ο Σωτήριος άσος.

Παίκτης από τον πρόβαν άρζει να τους βλέπουμε "γκέστ" στην Αυστραλία.

## Η ΚΑΡΔΙΑ ΤΗΣ ΠΡΟΧΩΡΗΣΕ

Συνεχίζοντας την καλή της πορεία στο πρωτάθλημα η καρδιά νίκησε και το Ρή-ντζετ 2-1 και με τέρματα που πέτυχαν οι Νίκοι και στο 3' και Γκιόργιαν στο 16 της συνάντησης.

Για την ερυθρόλευκη του Κλάυτον έπαι-σαν οι "Ισάκη Μιχάλης, Φερράντινι, Κωνσταντίνου, Κουτσί, Π. Αποστολίδης, Χάμης.

Ούγκρινς, Νίτσινας, Κούτσινας, Μ. Χαράλαμους (Α. Γκατζώνης) Γκιόργιαν (83' Α. Χαράλαμους).

Η Β' ομάδα νίκησε 3-1 με γκολ των Γ. Λακίτη 2 και Α. Αποστολίδου.

## ΕΙΧΕ ΧΡΕΣΤΟΤΗΜΑ ΤΟ ΚΛΑΝΤΑΝΤ...

Το Κλάυτον χρωστούσε πολλά στο Μόρνινγκτον και πήρε την έκδοση το περασμέ-νο Σάββατο στο γηπέδο του με νίκη 1-0.

Η ελληνική ομάδα μείωσε το Α' μέρος και στη συνέχεια ήταν όλο και πιο νύκτα το σκόρ μεγαλύτερο αν οι παίκτες της δεν έχαναν καλές ευκαιρίες.

Το χροσ γκολ ήλθε στο 50' όταν άμυν-κός του Μόρνινγκτον πιεζόμενος από τον Ζέμενικ έστειλε την μπάλα στα δίχτυα της ομάδας του.

Το Κλάυτον έπαιξε με τους: Χάμ, Χαμ-κίτς, Τσιτρίνι (10' Κουλάκας) Κούτο, Τσα-φάρ, Μπιτόνι, Αμανατίδης, Τοπαλίδης, Αβρα-μ, Ζέμενικ (80' Διονυσόπουλος) Σαχινίδης.

Ας σημειωθεί ότι ο Τσιτρίνις μεταφέ-ρθηκε στο νοσοκομείο.

Καλύτεροι οι Τσαφάρ, Σαχινίδης, Κούτος και Μπιτόνι.

## ΤΟ ΣΑΟΥΘ ΣΠΙΝΚΒΑΙΝ: ΞΑΝΕΣ ΕΤΟ Α' ΥΠΕΡΒΕΚΕ ΕΤΟ Β' ΜΕΡΟΣ ΚΑΙ... 3-3

Αν και έχανε στο Α' ημίχρονο το Σάουθ Σπρινκβέιν εντός έδρας από το Λαίπλιν 2-0 στην επανίδρυση συνέλαβε και μείωσε σε 2-1 με τον Κατσαρό.

Οι γηπεδοφύλακες ανέβασαν σε 3-1 αλλά οι Κατσαρό και Λεονάρδος έκαναν το τελικό σκόρ 3-3.

Καλύτεροι από την ελληνική ομάδα ήταν οι Τσαντίλιν, Κατσαρό, Λεονάρδος και ο Γκολκίπερ Πέτρον.

Η σύνθεση: Πέτρον, Β. Αργυρόπουλος, Λεο-νάρδος, Κέρος, Χ' Αναστασίου, Καρλίας, Σε-λεμίδης, Παπαδόπουλος, (Τσαμουρτζής) Κα-τσαρός, Τομάζος, (Π. Βέντος) Τσαντίλιν.



Ο Ομήρος Εμμανουήλ ανήκει στα ταλέντα του ποδοσφαίρου της παροικίας μας και αγωνίζεται με επι-τυχία στη γραμμή των μέσων του Σάουθ Σπρινκβέιν.

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"Αριστερό δε ρεσέρβ κ. SAMUELS είχε να κάνει με ένα άρκετο δύσκολο παίκτη από οί αντίπαλοι είχαν πέσει και έ-παιζαν δυνατά.

Βρέθηκε όμως κοντά στις φάσεις, κρήτη-σε τον άγωνα και μείωσε σωστά τις κί-τρινες κάρτες στους παραπέντας παί-κτες και των δύο ομάδων.

## Η ΠΙΟ ΜΕΤΑΛΛΗ ΝΙΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΚΑΛΗ ΕΚΤΟΣ ΕΠΑΔ 2-0 ΤΟ ΜΟΡΝΤΙΑΛΟΟ ΚΑΙ ΠΑΕΙ ΓΙΑ ΤΙΤΛΟ

Στο μεγάλο ελληνικό ντέρμπι της Β' κατη-γορίας το "Ουλν" νίκησε 2-0 το Μορντιάλ-λοκ.

Εμφανισμός με τον υπερέχον επί του τύπου της νικητριας Παντελή Καραβία, χάθηκαν καλές ευκαιρίες με τις οποίες το σκόρ θα ήταν μεγαλύτερο.

Τα γκολ πέτυχαν οι "Ιοβαν (πέναλτι) στο 60' και το όλο κέρδιζε ο Καλιφα-τίδης, ενώ ο Γκαβαρντίνας στο 88' πέρα-σε άμυντικούς και τρεις τερματοφύλακες να νουνται σε 2-0 το όλο έφερε την κυανό-λευκη κοντά στον τίτλο και το Μορντιάλ-λοκ στην 3η θέση.

Στο 75' ο Στεργίου είδε κόκκινη κάρτα και ξεχώρισε οι Κλαβίδης, Καλιφάτιδης, Λεονάρδος.

Έπαιξαν οι Τσιλίδης, Αλβέρτος, Στοιγιάν-νου, Μπακινίδης (Νικολαΐδης) Παζλίνια, Λεο-νάρδος, Γκιόργιαν, Στεργίου, Ιρβάν, Καλιφα-τίδης, Κλαβίδης (Γκαβαρντίνας).

## ΤΟ ΓΚΑΡΤΝΕΝ ΕΠΑΓΕ ΚΑΛΑ ΑΛΛΑ ΕΚΑΛΕ

Την δεύτερη ήττα του γνώρισε το Γκάρν-τεν Σίτυ στο πρωτάθλημα 5-2 από το πρω-τοπόρο Κέλσορ.

Η ελληνική ομάδα με λίγη προσοχή θα μπορούσε να είχε πάρει τουλάχιστον την ισοπαλία αλλά τρία γκολ τα έδωσε όλο-σοστός αντίπαλος.

Τα τέρματα του Γκάρντεν που άφησε κα-λές ευκαιρίες τα πέτυχαν οι Αποστολίδης - Μήλιος.

Η σύνθεση: Λεονάρδος, Γ. Αναστασίου, Ν. Αναστασίου, Τ. Θεοδωρίδης, Μήλιος, Κα-μπαρούτσος, Αλφάρδης (50' Μωρέλας) Πα-τρίνι, Αποστολίδης, Σαχινίδης.

Δεν αγωνίστηκε ο Σβίγγος που είναι τραυματισμένος.

# JUGOSLOVENSKA SCENA

## NEPRAVEDAN PORAZ

JUST je ostavio oba boda u Brisbanu zahvaljujući sudiji, koji je otvoreno navijao za domaći tim. Pod ovakvim uslovima nemoguće je sacuvati sportsko dostojanstvo, kao ni pokraden covek ne moze se pomisliti niti shvatiti da more biti objeckan usred belog dana, a da niko pristom ne mrde.

Niko bolje nije opisao tu otvorenu pri jaku nego lo-kaalni novinar u svom izvestaju radio stanici 3EA. Medjutim, osim moralne satisfakcije JUST od toga nema nista. Na tabeli se nalazi tri boda iza pre-terboljeg Green Gully. Ajusta igraju se jos ne-koja. Tek sada nastaje velika borba za opstanak puna neizvesnosti i nepravde. Sudji ja Nicholson nije oteo JUSTu samo ta dva boda, vec ga je sa isklucenjem Jadranks Kodze ostelio i za sledeci susret, koji JUST igra u nedelju 7. jula na svom igralistu protiv Bris-bane Lionsa.

Bez obzira na posledice ove nepravde PLAVI imaju dovoljno snage izdrze dva iskusenja i izbore sebi op-ostanak u Nacionalnoj ligi, jer su joj pored sve siro-tnije i skromnosti obogatili divnim igrama zbog kojih fudbali postali. I kada je gubio JUST je odsejnjavao igrom i snajmen. Sve sto je dobilo na sportskom polju bile je postene zaradnje.

Pravi ljubitelji sporta znaju to da cene i docele u nedelju 7. jula da "plavima" pruzе podršku koja je neophodna u ovakvim trenucima. Jedino od cega JUST mora da strahuje to su sudije, koje ni u Mel-bourne cesto nisu na visini zadatka.

Glavna utakmica pocinje u 3 po podne, a u predgri-je se sastaju mladi timovi JUSTA i Nunawading Citya. Prosle nedelje umalo sto i mladi tim JUSTA nije bio zrtva pristasnog sudjenja. Istina, "plavi" su igrali jako lose do odlaska na odmor kada je Croydon City vodio sa 3:1. Medjutim, posle odmora JUST je zaigrao kao preporodjen. Uspeo je da izjednači na 3:3, ali dalje nije mogao zbog sudije, koji je izmislio kazne za nepostojee prestrupe. Strelici za JUST: Milan Djurdjevic 2 i Ariel Perez Reigosa.

## MAKEDONIJA PRED PETORKOM

Makedonija je srećno ali zasluženio dobila vaznu bitku protiv glavnog rivala za ulazak u petorku. Heroj te pobeđe bio je Zoran Ilkoski, igrač koji je nekojko isplatio Makedoniji. Pred sobom ima jos nekoliko dobrih godina. Zaista je pravo čudo da ga je do sad mimalno oko selektora fudbalske reprezentacije Australije.

Makedonija igra jos jednu tesku utakmicu u nedelju 7. jula protiv Heidelberga. Ajusta koji je uvek bio neugodan protivnik, pao je u ovu pugu. Med-jutim, sve zavisi od forme Zorana Ilkoskog, a ona ga retko kad izneveri.

Prema izvestaju iz Adelaide, gde ima vise sportskog morala i pravde nego u Brisbanu, Mel-bourne Croatia je zasluženio porazila West Adelaide zasto je dobila cestice domaceg tima. Da je Croatia zaista sampiona ekips potvrdile u nedelju 7. jula na Olympic Parku protiv preporodjenog Green Gully, koji je prosle nedelje je podelio bodove sa Heidelbergom.

## PRVA DIVIZIJA

North Dandenong — Altona Gate/VARDAR 3:1 (2:0). Vardar je nastupio bez dva ključna igrača. Dile-gant Boris Gelevski nije mogao da nastupi zbog kor-ka, koje je nedavno povredio i ponovo povredio, dok je najbolji strelac Kole Damcevski bio bolestan. Ipal, Altona Gate je sa sala vise sreće mogla da izve-

neresne rezultati. Sudija nije bio na visini zadatka. Jedini gol za Vardar postigao je Drago Nedel-kovski u 78. minutu, dok su najbolji igrači bili Mendo Ristovski, Zlatko Veljanovski i Gus Figuera.

Rezerva je takođe nastupila oslabljena, zbog ropune prvog tima, pa je izgubila sa 1:2 (0:0). Stree-lic pocasno gola Zoran Dervisevski iz jedanaester-ca.

U sobotu 6. jula Altona Gate igra derbi utakmicu protiv vodeceg Melbournea na svom igralistu, Paisley Reserve u North Altoni.

## DRUGA DIVIZIJA

Hamlyn Rangers — Ringwood/SRBILJA 1:0 (1:0). Sportska sreća bila je na strani domaceg tima, jer je iz jedine polusanse postigao gol, koji mu je doneo dva boda. Ringwood/Srbija je ostalih 89 minuta bila bolji tim sto se ne racuna.

Sastav Ringwood/Srbije: L. Lesic, M. Djuric, T. Gilmoure, A. Nelson, A. Demir, T. Hagymas, M. Sed-larevic (M. Bjelogric), P. Jevtic, S. Anderson, L. Bosancic, W. Ross.

Royal Richmond/SINDJELIC — Keilor/AUSTRIA 2:0 (1:0). Derbi zacel ja dobro je Sindjelic, ali mu pre-dstoji naporan put i velika borba da se izvuce iz opasne zone. Oba gola postigao je Slobodan Popovic.

U sobotu 6. jula igra se srpski derbi druge divizije izmedju Ringwood/Srbije i Royal Richmond/Sindjel-ica. Domacini je Ringwood/Srbija na Quambee Reser-ve, Wonga Road, North Ringwood, My.36 A.7.

## "PLAVI" NA VRHU TABELE

Springvale United — Prahran Celtic 2:1 (1:1). Derbi trece divizije zacel se zasluženim pobedom "Plavima" iz Springvale, koji su izbili na celo trece di- vizije, gde ce se po svoj prilici zadržati do kraja sezo- ne. Ovaj susret privukao je do sad najveću posetu na imanju Bratisva/Jedinstva u Keysboroughu. Golove su postigli Dragan Janjic i Zahid Tepic.

U sobotu 6. jula "Plavi" su gosti Yarraville na Yarraville Ovalu, uga Williamstown Rd. i Anderson Street, Yarraville.

Ferntree Gully — Lalor/SLOGA 3:2 (1:1). Sloga je imala vise od igre i vodila najveći deo utakmice sa 2:1, ali je us završnici domaci tim pobedio zahvalju-jući boljoj kondiciji. Strelici za Sloga: Tony Geprko-kevislo o selji; a self; psvlo.

I snipit 6' k'a : a/p : s/p : gpa ke gpi Nrogitjpa ma d'andu Parlu, Dandy Street, Brighton.

Central City/CRVENA ZVEZDA — Clayton 5:1 (0:0). Igra je uglavnom, bila reвноpravna a pobednik neistevan sve do odlaska na odmore. Medjutim, od 51. minuta kada je Stevica Mecavin sutno lepu preko glave nesvesno je dao krlja celon tima, tek kada su su-ugraci cestitali, shvatilo je da je ta nasumice ada-rena lopta zavrsila u protivnicke mrezi. Zatim su sle-điti ostali golovi kao na filmskoj traci: Bora Andjelko-vice u 53. Dejan Obradovic u 67., opet Stevica Mecavin u 78. i Ranko Lavinic u 85. minuta. Tri minuta pred kraj golman Nikola Popovic, koji je do tog trenutka odlicno branio, dodao je loptu pogresno protivnicke- igraču, a ovaj je bez napora posluo u praznu mrežu.

U predgri su rezerve igralne nereseo 2:2 (1:1), a heroj ove utakmice bio je najstariji igrač Slavko Drjic, koji je postigao dva majstorska gola.

Crvena zvezda je gost West Brunswicka u sobotu 6. jula.

# Parker joins Broadhouse

By WALTER PLESS

Caledonians won their first game in seven outings when they somewhat luckily beat University 3-1 in Tasma-nia's Cadbury State League on Sunday.

All three of their goals were clouded in controversy as two came from the penalty spot — the first at a second attempt and the other following a dubious indirect free-kick inside the penalty area after the goal-keeper had taken too many steps.

Lino Taglieri had given University the lead in the 40th minute when his free kick bounced into the top corner with a stunned defence looking on.

Within 40 seconds of the start of the second half, Basic brought Parker down in the penalty area and referee John Howlin pointed to the spot.

Gilliam saved Parker's first feeble attempt only to have the referee order the kick to be retaken because Gilliam had moved early.

Parker made no mistake the second time.

In the 51st minute, Howlin awarded Calies an in-direct free kick inside the penalty area because the goalkeeper had taken too many steps.

Calies coach Tommy Wright took the kick short and quick and Parker stabbed home his second goal.

The third controversial decision came in the 65th minute when University defender Tom Pilkington al-legedly handled Goldsmith's corner on the goal-line — a charge that the player vehemently denied after-wards.

Parker completed his hat-trick by converting the penalty and joined John Broadhouse of Juventus-Pioneer as the League's leading marksman on 12 goals.

In Sunday's main match, Rapid beat Metro-Claremont 2-1 through an own-goal after 10 minutes and a volley from Lars Koch right on half-time.

Olympia also returned to some semblance of form by beating Rapid 2-1 through goals by Xanthopoulos and Munro.

Olympia's win was tempered somewhat by the loss of promising youngster John Paradis who was injured and will undergo knee ligament surgery this week.



● Lino Taglieri of University, under pressure from Michael Goldsmith of Caledonians.

## Cadbury State League standings

W D L F A Pts					
1	University-Pioneer	6	3	2	32 15 15
2	White Eagles	8	2	2	36 22 14
3	Croatia-Glenorchy	6	2	2	20 14 14
4	Caledonians	4	5	3	27 23 13
5	Olympia-WPL	4	3	4	23 22 11
6	Rapid	3	4	5	17 20 10
7	Metro-Claremont	3	2	6	20 34 9
8	University	1	9	7	32 3





# NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE

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## SOUTHERN DIVISION



**COLIN McADAM**

**ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS  
VS  
BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS**

at **OLYMPIC SPORTS FIELD**  
2.30 pm SUNDAY

VIC YOUTH GAME  
FAWKNER  
VS  
BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS  
AT VENUE TO BE ANNOUNCED

**SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS  
VS  
STH MELBOURNE HELLAS**

at **CHAPLIN RESERVE**  
3.00 pm SUNDAY

YOUTH GAME:-  
SUNSHINE  
GEORGE CROSS  
VS  
STH MELB HELLAS  
at 12.45 pm.



**OSSIE LATIF**



**ZDRAVKO LUJIC**

**FOOTSCRAY JUST  
VS  
BRISBANE LIONS**

at **SCHINTLER RESERVE**  
3.00 pm SUNDAY

YOUTH GAME:-  
FOOTSCRAY JUST  
VS  
NUNAWADING CITY  
at 12.45

**HEIDELBERG ALEXANDER  
VS  
PRESTON MAKEDONIA**

at **OLYMPIC VILLAGE**  
3 pm SUNDAY

YOUTH GAME:-  
HEIDELBERG ALEXANDER  
VS  
PRESTON MAKEDONIA  
at 1.245 pm



**GEORGE CHRISTOPOULOS**



**GARY WARD**

**MELBOURNE CROATIA  
VS  
GREEN GULLY**

AT **OLYMPIC PARK No 1**  
3 pm SUNDAY

YOUTH GAME:-  
MELBOURNE CROATIA  
VS  
GREEN GULLY  
at 12.45 pm

**BRISBANE CITY  
VS  
WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS**

at **SPENCER PARK**  
3 pm SUNDAY

VIC YOUTH GAME:-  
CROYDON CITY  
VS  
FRANKSTON PINES  
AT VENUE TO BE ANNOUNCED



**MIKE MILOVANOVIC**

## NORTHERN DIVISION

**BLACKTOWN CITY v ST GEORGE**  
at **GABBIE STADIUM** 3 pm SUNDAY

**SYDNEY CROATIA v CANBERRA OLYMPIANS**  
at **KING TOMISLAV PARK** 3 pm SUNDAY

**SYDNEY OLYMPIC vs SYDNEY CITY**  
at **PRATTEN PARK** 3pm SUNDAY

**APIA LEICHHARDT vs NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD**  
at **LAMBERT PARK** 3 pm SUNDAY

**WOLLONGONG CITY vs MARCONI**  
at **WOLLONGONG SHOWGROUNDS** 3 pm SUNDAY

**INTER-MONARO v PENRITH CITY**  
at **SEIFFERT OVAL** 3 pm SUNDAY